

Custer County's Own Rocket Man!

by George Gramlich

Somewhere up in the wilds on Oak Creek Grade, lives one of the foremost collectors of space and space exploration artifacts in the country. He has been acquiring various items of rockets, space-

famous Pueblo Weisbrod Aircraft Museum.

A welder by trade, Steve Janssen's house is simply bursting at the seams with space memorabilia. (Steve is affectionately known as "Space Junk" up on the Grade.)

maintain some semblance of order, but it is a difficult task.

Steve and Brenda have the largest private collection of space artifacts in Colorado. Their private collection on display at the Pueblo Weisbrod Aircraft Museum is one of the most popular areas in the museum.

Recently, Steve acquired a truly remarkable piece of space history: a real deal Delta 2 rocket booster! These solid-fuel boosters were attached to the main Delta 2 rocket to provide additional lift for heavy payloads. Up to nine of these enormous boosters can be attached around the Delta 2. Of local interest, some of the boosters were made right here in Pueblo at the now defunct Boeing plant at the Airport Industrial Park.

The Delta 2 rocket booster weighed 42,200 operationally, and was 42' long. The one Steve received was donated to his collection by the United Launch Alliance (ULA) which is a partnership formed between Boeing and Lockheed Martin Corporation.

This particular rocket booster is filled with concrete and Steve believes it was a test unit used to prac-

tice mounting the boosters to the main Delta rocket. The first crane ULA used to unload the rocket at the museum actually broke while lifting it.



Curator of the Southern Colorado Space Museum, Steve Janssen.

Couresty Photo

So Steve and the Pueblo Weisbrod Aircraft Museum have a new outstanding exhibit. Well worth a visit. They are located right next to the Pueblo airport at 31001 Magnuson Ave. Phone: (719) 948-9219 and their website is www.pwam.org. They are open seven days a week. Call for their hours.



The Southern Colorado Space Museum's recently acquired Delta 2 Booster Rocket.

Courtesy Photo

ships, asteroids and anything remotely related to space travel since he was a kid. He is the President & Curator of the Southern Colorado Space Museum, whose collection is on display in hangar 2 at the world

Plus, you know something is different when you walk into his garage to see a life-size replica of a Mercury space capsule under construction. His lovely wife (and co-curator) Brenda, does her best to attempt to

1st Valley Strong Community Dinner Coming in September

Press Release

There is a brand new community event coming to the valley this September 21st. The 1st Annual Valley Strong Community Dinner will be held on Main Street in Westcliffe and everyone in the Wet Mountain Valley is invited! It is a chance for all of us to get together at the end of a busy summer and share a meal together as well as an opportunity to say "Thank You" to the volunteers who keep us safe throughout the year. We are honoring those who give so freely of their time and expertise to keep both residents and visitors safe - the volunteers for Search and Rescue, the Sheriff's Posse and Wet Mountain Fire Protection District.

The event is modeled after the very successful annual Buena Vista Strong Community Dinner. Their

event was organized in the fall of 2014, as way to celebrate Buena Vista's community spirit and also in honor of the five family members lost in a rockslide above Buena Vista that year. Last fall, the event drew 2,500 community members. It also attracted the attention of some folks here in the valley who then asked "Wouldn't be great if we could do this here?" Enough folks agreed that yes, it would be a great idea and our own event was born. Buena Vista organizers were hopeful that other communities would want to hold their own community dinner. They were thrilled to hear of the Wet Mountain Valley event and have been very helpful in the early stages of planning.

How does it work? The

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2nd Amendment Rally and March July 4th

at the Westcliffe, CO July 4th Parade
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Join the Southern Colorado Patriots Club in their section in the Westcliffe, CO July 4th Parade.

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Assemble at 9:15 AM, July 4th at the east end of Main Street (Highway 96), Silver Cliff/Westcliffe, CO at the open field just west of the Mining Company Diner (with convenience store and gas station). Look for the Southern Colorado Patriots assembly area (Gadsden Flags, Tea Party Flags, and guns, guns, guns). Plenty of places in town for breakfast and lunch. March is about one mile long, takes about 45 minutes. Short Rally at end of parade.

Firearm Protocol: Rifles: unloaded, safety on, no detachable magazines inserted in rifle, chamber flag appreciated, MUST BE SLUNG on shoulder or back. No handling of weapons during the parade. All rifles welcome. Hand Guns: Holstered, open carry. No handling of weapons during the parade.

Any questions email the Southern Colorado Patriots at SCPatriotsClub@aol.com or see the SCP website at scpatriotsclub.com.

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Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, He it is that doth go with thee; He will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

Deuteronomy 31:6



We believe that freedom is a gift from God and not granted to us by politicians or governments. Freedom demands responsible behavior of all citizens and must be consistent with the truths expressed in the great moral and governing guides as The Ten Commandments, The Declaration of Independence, The U.S. Constitution, and The Bill of Rights.

These were the principles that guided our founding fathers and which we believe are still relevant. These are the principles that will guide our reporting and be the basis of all our views.

We will not be constrained by the illogical, misleading and inaccurate thinking and use of "political correctness" but by truth, facts, logic and common sense.

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Our Opinion...

From the Editorial Board

Come Don

A Poem by Waddie Mitchell

(Editor/GG: This poem was recited by one of the Commissioner candidates at a recent Custer County Republican Candidate forum. Good time for more people to read/hear it.)

I saw emotions well up in him as she pointed with a grin
Sayin', "sign here at the bottom please" while handing him a pen
I could tell he needed venting, or I feared he would explode
So I dug in for the onslaught while he proceeded to unload
His opinions on that young gal, how this should be run
How lawyers should be something scarce, how business should be done
How you didn't need no contract when a man's word was an oath
Which was worth a whole lot more than any paper signed by both
How at one time giant deals were closed by simply shaking hands
Cuz you could stake your livelihood upon the honor of a man
An' how neighbor didn't merely mean some people living near
An' how all could walk the streets at night without a nagging fear
'Cause citizens could arm themselves an' crimes weren't blamed on guns
But on the crimesters that committed them an' bad ones still got hung
An' how a shyster's reign was short lived, 'cause a town would run 'em off
An' how your thug an' thieves would land in jail, 'cause judges weren't so soft
An' how divorce was near unheard of, an' how kids were raised at home
An' how there weren't these old folks centers, 'cause we took care of our own
An' how yer cars an' tools weren't throw away, 'cause things were built to last
An' how a man would tip his hat out on the street when ladies passed
That young gal's eyes were glazin' as she stood there in a stare
I was gettin kinda antsy an' was wanting out of there.
But he went on about...fat cowboys, how they once were hard an' lean
Before they all used trucks an' goose necks an' how strikes were seldom seen
How if you were able bodied then you found yourself some work

Because them welfare checks weren't handed out to anyone that shrik'd

An' you didn't need no resumé to land yourself a job

An' how a public office wasn't just a legal way to rob

An' how a visit to yer doctor didn't cost an arm an' leg

An' how an appointment with your banker wouldn't dictate that you beg

An' how insurance was affordable 'cause folks weren't out to sue

Because they weren't expecting ten times more than they were rightly due

An' how a liberal press weren't handing us a constant bill o'fare

An' how yer taxes wouldn't break ya 'cuz we all paid our fair share.

But the public trough weren't feeding near so many beaurocrats

An' yes the government was small once, now its like a swarm of gnats

An' how it keeps on growin', an' how the working man can't win

An' how the deficit won't shrink 'til they spend less than they bring in

And where democracy is strugglin' we must lend a helpin' hand

An' how it ain't right that some foreigners are buying up this land

He'd gone on for twenty minutes 'fore he took himself a breath

I thought I'd better stop him 'fore he talks that gal to death

So I said, "Don yer right on all counts, but we really oughta go

An' if you don't sign that there contract....we can't rent that video."

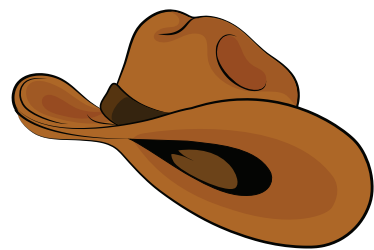
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Correction: Issue 50, Friday, June 17, 2016, page 8

In our article highlighting Cañon City business, Prospect Heights Merchantile, we referred to Dave Hankins as the business owner. Janet Cook is owner of Prospect Heights Mercantile. We apologize for the error.



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Samuel Adams - Founding Father*



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Dialogue with the Editorial Board...from a Trumpster

by J. Cascarelli

What kind of a house editorial was that? It [June 10, 2016 editorial] starts off with “Hey, Donald.” Does anyone believe that Donald Trump reads the *Sentinel*? Does Trump even know where Westcliffe is? So, one must ask, “For whom was the editorial written?” It is no secret that members of the *Sentinel* editorial board supported Ted Cruz and they have no need for Donald Trump. What results does the author of last week’s house editorial want? Trump ran a tough primary campaign and he won. Importantly, he played by the rules. Many so called conservatives and establishment Republicans worked against his campaign supported by the liberal popular press and Fox News pundits and they failed. Why? The people think that it is time for professional politicians, big money lobbyists, relatives

of former elected officials and pathological liars not be elected anymore.

Many of us like this brash New Yorker. He hates “political correctness.” He wants to run eco-

ly government that have forced American companies to manufacture overseas through draconian taxes and stupid regulation. But, our editor wants Trump to use the Clinton, “It’s the economy, stupid” campaign slogan. First, it

“Well, “hope” may have helped Obama win two terms, but today Americans have very little “hope” in our elected officials”

nomie America like a business instead of running up trillions in debt. He wants to halt the open door policy for Muslims and illegal Mexicans that are strangling our economy and endangering our citizenry. He wants to make sure that future trade deals are good for America. He, like many of us, are sick of a business unfriend-

ly was James Carville that first used the line.

Secondly, the George H.W. Bush economy was growing at a rate of 2.4% at the time. Obama and Clinton would sell their souls for that kind of growth. The average GDP growth for the past 7½ years is 2%. The last quarter was a pa-

thetic .7%. Many of us already know this. The editorial author should know that Americans eyes glaze over when the GDP is discussed. Most Americans do not know the difference between the national debt and the budget deficit. Hey, most Americans do not know the difference between a democracy and a republic and that includes politicians.

The editor wants Trump to reinvigorate “hope” as a campaign issue. Well, “hope” may have helped Obama win two terms, but today Americans have very little “hope” in our elected officials. Our editorial author wants Trump to give “moderate Republicans, Independents and intellectually honest Democrats a [reason] to support [him].” Well, I guess that the editor hasn’t been paying attention to the primary results. Trump has gotten more votes

than any past Republican presidential candidate in the republic’s history and that was with 16 other candidates vying for the job. Every TV pundit and pollster has been predicting Trump’s demise since last summer. They have all been wrong, but they are still on TV predicting. Who in their right mind would believe any of them?

So, voters, get a grip. You can have the pathological liar Hillary Clinton for four years or you can have Trump. For me, it is obvious that Trump loves America and Hillary does not. That is enough for me to give this self-made billionaire and proven leader the benefit of the doubt. After all, we have just lived through nearly eight years of the most unqualified man ever to hold the office of the president. Get on the Trump bandwagon or prepare to reap the whirl wind.

Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them.

Romans 16: 17



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Commish Salary

Dear Editor,

I haven't been to any commissioner's meetings, but I usually read all the letters to the editor and I appreciate the *Sentinel* paper because they call it as they see it.

I think Creadon called the situation about right. The economy is down and all the For Sale signs on Main Street tells the story. "We need change".

Vote out anyone that voted for a \$1250 per month raise on a \$50,000 a year part time

job, as I can't see where they are considering the tax payers of Custer County. Oh yeah, that \$50,000 per year also includes expenses paid.

Gil Costello
Rural Custer County

In Support of Sandra Attebery!!

Dear Editor;

The Atteberys are both honest and forthright people. The community is lucky to have them represent us. Lynn has been a great commissioner. People wish he could run again. Sandra will be the same. Very smart in all ar-

eas. Lynn encouraged her to run for his seat. Quite a compliment from a spouse.

They have been my support for many years. I will never forget it. They have so many friends and I am one of them. The *Sentinel* letters show of their support. She will be a commissioner

that we can all be proud of.

I voted for Kit Shy as well.

Sincerely,

Berta Haga
Custer County

(Mother of CHRIS HAGA, who DOES NOT LIVE here.)

Range Time: Let's Use Some Common Sense

Dear Editor;

I read, with interest, James Van Buskirk's letter concerning Sheriff Byerly's decision to require range time before he will issue a Concealed Carry Permit. Good for him. The statute states that an applicant must demonstrate "competence with a handgun." One of the ways to demon-

strate such "competence" is for the applicant to submit "A training certificate from a handgun training class obtained within the ten years preceding submittal of the application." Mr. Van Buskirk is correct, the statute does not say that the handgun training class include range time, but come on, let's use some common

sense. How could anyone demonstrate "competence with a handgun" if he or she did not have range time with an instructor? Book learning is certainly a part of the training, but so should range time be.

Peggi Collins
Rural Custer County and Redondo Beach, CA

Tough Choices In District 2 Race? Not Really

Dear Editor;

The race for the district 2 commissioner seat poses some interesting questions as there is no incumbent with a proven track record in office running. The field includes Mr. Jay Printz, Mr. Dale Falske, and Mrs. Sandra Attebery.

Two of the three candidates in this race – Mr. Printz and Mr. Falske, have said that they won't take the 30% pay raise

mandated by the state legislature for all elected officials and approved by the current commissioners. As it is the state mandated salary they will, in fact, all be paid that. If some of these selfless candidates could come up with a real plan – like a public agreement to give the 30%, or maybe all of their salary – to the Wet Mountain Community Foundation which benefits thousands in the valley, this issue could have some impor-

tance. Campaigning to not take he raise and then doing so anyway has already been done here in the past

Mr. Printz and Mr. Falske are also big fans of "economic development" like Mrs. Hood in the District 3 race. Bear in mind what this might cost you. They may fall easy prey to the

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Americans Who Know So Little About Firearms...

Dear Editor,

What amazes me is that so many Americans who know so little about firearms are willingly express such strong opinions about firearm related issues. I have on numerous occasions offered to take anti-gun acquaintances to the range to experience shooting first hand. Usually, in typical "girlie man" fashion, they refused, often with a look of horror on their face. Typical liberals have a "Don't confuse me with the facts, I already have my mind made up" outlook. Frankly, I fault the networks including Fox News for airing opinions by panel members who have no credentials on a topic, in this case firearms. Actually, every TV news host and politician could benefit from a trip to the range. Before I'd allow any "on-air talent" or talking head politician guest to voice an opinion on guns or gun control, they must

- demonstrate a knowledge of:
- The difference between an automatic and a semi-automatic firearm
 - Possess a basic knowledge of firearms that shoot handgun ammunition and those that shoot only rifle ammunition
 - Acquire an elementary understanding of how body armor works
 - Body armor's performance against handguns and rifles
 - A sense of the difference of being shot with a handgun vs. a rifle
 - Those without military experience should know the definition of an "assault weapon" or they shouldn't use the phrase.

When government spokespersons, elected officials and/or their media lapdogs allow those without this knowledge to offer opin-

ions, it is contributing to the general ignorance of the public that given the dangers of today's life in America, may actually need firearms for self-defense. I doubt if the current commander-in-chief could answer basic questions about the firearms that he is attempting to ban. After all, he has 4400 Secret Service agents that protect him and his family.

I have spent 33 years learning about these things...literally thousands of hours at the range, in the field, reading, at the loading bench and field dressing and processing game (a great way to assess bullet performance). When I offer an opinion about gun control, firearm ownership or firearm's use for self-protection, unlike Barack Obama, I can defend my position with knowledge expressed in a fact-based and articulate manner.

Joe Cascarelli
Rural Custer County

Let's Not Squander What We Have

It doesn't bother me so much when the opposing party lies about Trump's stance on Muslims entering the country. It makes my skin crawl to listen to Republican talk show hosts and politicians misrepresent what Trump has said about the subject of Muslim refugees entering the country. He has repeatedly said that he doesn't mean that no Muslim can enter the country, but, that they all must be vetted before entering and that we need to understand what the Muslims stand for, whether they are Sharia or Sunni. There is a world of difference between the two.

I really wonder where Republican politicians and media stand when they misrepresent Trump. Do they not understand the Republican stand? Do they not adhere to the Republican stand? Or, are they merely stupid and don't listen to and digest what they hear?

On the subject of Muslim beliefs concerning women, which, according to the Koran, includes subjugation and death, which are against our laws, can Muslims adhere to our laws? Apparently there are Muslims who do want to come into the 21st Century and who do want to strike those beliefs from

their own laws.

The big question is, do Americans have the stomach to enforce our immigration laws? Quite a few of us do. That does not mean we are bigoted. It just means we want to protect our country as well as welcome, with open arms, those who wish to come here and embrace what the USA stands for. Our turbulent history has actually resulted in a country the likes of which has never been seen in the history of the world. Please, let us not squander what we have.

Linda Anderson
Rural Custer County

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Colorado Life Magazine Comes to Custer County

—SILVER CLIFF, Colorado
by *Sentinel Staff*
June 16, 2016

Last week, *Colorado Life Magazine* (CLM) Editor Matt Masich and

Photo Editor Joshua Hardin visited Custer County and the twin towns of Silver Cliff and Westcliffe. CLM is an Estes Park based publication that chronicles the many interesting tourism

magnets which are the towns, cities and small rural communities that dot the Colorado landscape. This time they came to Custer to meet interesting residents and write stories

and tales of their family trees, of years gone by, the boom and bust of communities, and the interesting places to visit, to explore and experience.

The *Sentinel* met up with Editor Matt Masich and Photo Editor Joshua Hardin as they arrived in Silver Cliff on the morning of June 16. After introductions and a brief review of the days agenda the first stop was at the iconic museum of Silver Cliff built in 1879. Doyen Dorothy Urban was kind and accommodating to open the museum for a special tour by the guests. With her vast knowledge from years of experience living in Silver Cliff, Dorothy lead the guests on a smooth trip down memory lane pointing out unique artifacts and one of a kind pieces of enchanting, fascinating tidbits and trinkets, tools and implements of Silver Cliff history.

At the end of the museum visit it was time to go across the parking lot to Tony's Mountain Pizza for lunch. Sam Hepp, our host, served up a delicious selection of his signature Italian dough delicacies with all the various toppings otherwise known as pizza. Fifteen guests gathered around the large table. Co-host and newly elected Silver Cliff Town Trustee Fred Hernandez introduced the *Colorado Life Magazine* staff to the guests among whom were Mr. Kit Shy, County Commissioner, Silver Cliff Mayor Steve Lasswell, Ms. Christy Patterson, Mayor of Westcliffe, Kassi Ryff, World Champion reigned horse rider, Ms. Dorothy Urban, Silver Cliff Museum, Mr. Roger Camper, Building and Zoning officer of Silver Cliff, Custer County Sheriff Shannon Byerly, Ms. Marilyn Stodola, Main Street Business Manager, Mr. Eric Foster, resident of

Silver Cliff Ranch, Mr. Brian Clince, owner of Antlers Motel and Board Trustee of Westcliffe and Ms. Donna Hood, candidate for county commissioner in the upcoming elections.

Following a brief statement by Mr. Masich explaining their mission in Custer County, he opened the floor for each guest to give a snapshot of their background and their occupation as it related to Custer County. A freewheeling discussion then ensued with guests offering ideas for the story about the two towns and giving advice as to what else to see and experience while in the area for the story about the county which will be featured in the magazine's summer issue of 2017. It was a most productive meeting as stated by the CLM staff who were grateful and appreciative of the time every person took to make their visit productive and memorable.



The luncheon with Colorado Life's editor: Left to right: Matt Masich, Editor, Colorado Life; Steve Lasswell, Mayor of Silver Cliff; Christy Patterson, Mayor of Westcliffe; Kassi Ryff, Reined Horse World Champion; Dorothy Urban, Doyen of the Silver Cliff Museum; Roger Camper, Silver Cliff Building and Zoning, Shannon Byerly, Custer County Sheriff.

photo by Fred Hernandez

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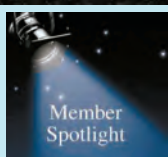
event organizers will provide seating, tables, a main course of pulled pork with buns (there will be a vegan/vegetarian option), and cookies for dessert. We are asking for table "hosts." Those willing to host a table will be responsible for filling their table of eight with friends and family, and also for bringing side dishes, plates, silverware

and beverages to complete the meal. Hosts are very welcome to reserve multiple tables! The 2015 Buena Vista dinner had 250 hosts sponsoring a total of 320 tables.

Also, as a show of gratitude to all our volunteers in the WMFPD, S & R and the Posse, each volunteer from those organizations will be presented with a gift certificate for use at our local businesses. Donations for the event will be used to cover the cost

of table and chair rental, food and other logistics. Any amount above what is needed to cover costs will be applied towards the gift certificates. All funds will be collected and disbursed by CART.

To host a table, make a donation or for more information, please visit www.valleystrong.us. Initial planning for the event is being done by Paul Leach and Cathy Snow, who may be reached at valleystrongdinner@gmail.com.



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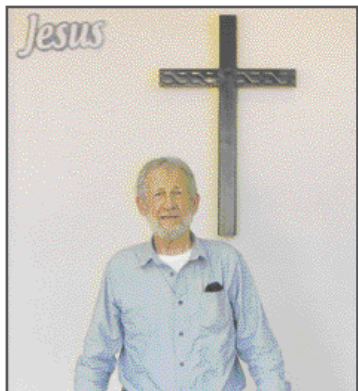
Viet Nam — The Journey Back 2016

by Ron Taylor

Once again I was blessed to be able to return to Vietnam March 8-22, 2016. This year was a lot different than last year. Most of our time was spent in Ho Chi Minh (Saigon) and surrounding wards - (Districts). We did spend two days in Phenom Phen, Cambodia, a seven hour bus ride from Saigon. Also, two days in Hanoi. I enjoyed meeting and talking with many Cambodians and Vietnamese. I have received many invites back and will travel back, the Lord willing, representing Man at the Well Ministries with the Gospel of Jesus Christ! I want to thank all who made it possible financially for these trips.

I was privileged and honored to preach the gospel in Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon) on March 13, 2016. A small church that had been underground, but got OKed by the Government of Vietnam. The Vietnamese people who have become Christians and are able to worship. Thank the U.S. soldiers, sailors, Marines, and Air Force Veterans of the Vietnam War - they love our Armed Forces. It is because, they say, of those veterans that fought in that war that

they have freedom of worship! Vietnam Veterans of Custer County - I want to pass this info along to you - more good was done for the Vietnamese because of you and God directing the outcome in His plan. You were in the plan of



Pastor Taylor preaching at a Vietnamese church.

Courtesy Photo

God to get the gospel to them!! They say Thanks! The Vietnamese people so respect you!!

Another bus ride to Dong Nai to the Invalid Orphan Maintenance Center - I was truly moved with compassion for these kids - approximately 70 in all. We spent

much time there that day - I'll never forget. Most of these children will never leave the orphanage.

I also visited churches in the county-side and met with the pastors and lay people - they are so humble and appreciative. We visited some battle grounds in the Mekong Delta area - Hug 13, and Thunder Road - bomb craters now serve as ponds to water the animals.

I was also so happy to meet and fellowship with the Hmong, mountain people.

Since my return, I have new friends in Vietnam and am almost daily in conversation and video by Viba.

These Vietnam trips have opened doors that I never thought possible back here in the states - upon returning last year, I did not want that trip to go by the wayside, the same for this year! The Lord blessed me with such good friends, Brad and Autumn Hearon, to help me put a 200 picture DVD of the 2015 trip together.

Little did I know where I would be led last fall - across the United States, Texas, Louisiana, Kentucky, Ohio, Great Lakes Region - showing the

slide presentation in churches, recreation halls, a coffee house, a VFW, a library, a high school gym, and when in my home town, I got a call and was invited to speak to over 1,450 students and approximately 40 veterans on Veterans Day. This school that I spoke at, my school of 12 years, Brachen County High School, was the same school (new building, new gym, and a lot more students, of course) that I went back to upon being released from active duty from the Marine Corps, to watch a basketball game approximately 47 years ago. Only to hear from a group of young high school boys from the bleachers above, cup their hands and holler and yell at me, "Hey, Taylor how many babies did you kill!"

This time November 11, 2015, was a totally different and overwhelming event. As I spoke and would pause there were over 1,450 screaming students shouting, U.S.A.-U.S.A.-U.S.A., and stomping their feet - all I had to do was pause and they cheered - this was a full circle.

This trip out of nine events or sessions, I met with over 70 Veterans from all wars, WWII to present wars. Approximately, 30 of which were Vietnam Veterans.

This year Part II meetings are al-

ready being scheduled - expecting to meet with hundreds!! My main mission is to preach the gospel of the Good News, so that hope arises in the hungry souls and hope to satisfy the afflicted souls. Only the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Savior, can change lives - Buddha can't do it, Mohammed can't do it (they are dead), a thousand other religions and cults, can't do it - only the Risen Lord.

Man at the Well Ministries was birthed last year after the journey back. Jesus went out of His way for the woman at the well! He went out of His way for me!! 1 Chronicles 4:10, God hath enlarged my coast - He will enlarge anyone who will be willing and obedient!

Vets in Custer County feel free to give me a call.

For those in the community who would like to schedule a presentation, contact me at 318-840-4799, leave a message - I'll get back - no fee or charges - love offerings accepted. My email is rontaylor@hotmail.com.

For a YouTube presentation view go to YouTube Cinthia Keele Bro Ron1 Bro Ron 2.

For a YouTube interview go to itbn.org war and recovery, December 1, 2015 episode.

Summer in the Shade: Sangrita IS BACK!

by Fred Hernandez

There are few things more delightful on a warm summer's day than

steak with south of the border coleslaw, black beans and avocado. Perhaps you might choose a wrap made of spinach, sun-dried to-

the outdoor kitchen. Chef Cody has extensive experience in different cuisines and can whip up these delicacies in no time. After you take your seat in the shade your order is brought to your table by Audrey, Tisa or Gina, the young ladies who look after you to ensure your total satisfaction every time you visit the patio.

Robyn and Tom Wallerich who own Sangrita decided to re-open the restaurant with a fresh concept for the summer season. Twenty-year residents of Custer County, Robyn and her husband Tom, love Westcliffe, where they have many friends and enjoy summer and fall and the great outdoors. The Wallerich's bought the property in 2001 after it had been home to a post office and a sandwich shop. They remodeled extensively adding a bar and the patio thus transforming it into its present chic southwestern look. Lunch (only) on the patio is served daily seven days a week from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Available for functions, private parties, corporate groups or non-profit entities, all are most welcome to enjoy the patio any evening. Chef Cody will work with all guests to produce the menu of their choice or he will gladly recommend a menu to suit the particular function. Please call any time for a consultation at (719) 371-0938. So, when out and about town remember Summer in the Shade at Sangrita's cool patio.



Chef Cody Shader prepares the new menu items at Sangrita's outdoor open grill.

Photo by Fred Hernandez

to slip into the cool, shaded embrace of a peaceful patio and sip from a tall, refreshing, ice cold drink. Relax a moment then follow through with a delicious platter of a light and satisfying southwestern delicacy. That is what happens at the newly re-opened Sangrita in down town Westcliffe where the atmosphere is relaxing, the service friendly and the cuisine outstanding.

Imagine if you will, mouth-watering sliders of butter grilled burger patties from Sangre's Best, flame grilled breast of chicken or slow-roasted pulled pork. You might even go for "cantina style" street tacos which feature grilled

mato or plain flour tortilla loaded with your selection of ingredients for Garden, Greek, Caesar, BLT or Club. That's not to mention cool, hand-crafted salads with the very freshest greens and highest quality produce from local providers.

It's all new and it's all good at Sangrita's patio. As you walk into its cool shade you will be greeted by friendly servers and you will be invited to place your lunch selection at the order counter. Ms. Savannah Cordova is the sharp young lady who will take your order and pass it on to Chef Cody Shader working the grill of

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Eagles Summit Ranch Graduation Dinner



Kathy Wampler sings to the wounded warriors and spouses at the Meet the Warriors graduation ceremony, June 10th. ESR had a full house of local citizens.
Photo by George Gramlich

Summer Library Reading Program Events



“Zoo Animals ” Kids ages 0-10

Thursday, June 30th, from 1 to 2 p.m.

Kids 0-10 will have the opportunity to see and learn about some of the animals from the Pueblo Zoo from one of their animal experts at the library’s “Rendezvous with the Zoo”. This free

Summer Reading Program event will take place on Thursday, June 30th from 1 to 2 p.m. in the Custer County School’s West Gym..

“Xtreme Teen Field Day” Teens ages 11-17

Friday, July 1st, from 1 to 3 p.m

Teens 11-17 are in for an afternoon of crazy challenges at “Xtreme Teen Field Day”. This free event takes place on Friday, July 1st from 1 to 3 p.m. at Hermit Park, which is on the corner of Hermit Road and Fourth Street in Westcliffe. Field Day will include water and mud competitions, so youth

are encouraged to wear grungy clothing they can move in easily. This will be the last Summer Reading Program event for teens, but the reading challenge will continue until Friday, July 29th so students have more time to earn prizes for reading and learning during the summer break.

These events and more are part of the West Custer County Library’s free Summer Reading Program. The program offers many events for youth of all ages as well as a fun reading and learning challenge where kids can earn prizes for hands-on experiences. Youth can get registered for Summer Reading at the library during its regular hours through the month of July. For more information about the Summer Reading Program, stop by the library or call 719-783-9138



New Christian Youth Center Opening in Cañon City

by George Gramlich

A new, non-denominational, Christian youth center called “The Bridge Youth Center” will be opening soon on the east side of Main Street in Cañon City.

The church leading the effort is Living Stone Calvary Chapel (LSCC) in Cañon City. The center has the goal of being open after school Monday—Friday from 3 p.m.—7p.m. and provide a place for our local youth to go to have fun, meet and receive counseling and guidance from the Center’s staff.

The Center will be partnering with ministries in the local area such as Young Life and local area church youth groups.

LSCC will be renting a large, 11,000 square foot building and have named LSCC members Justin & Lori Smith as

directors. The center is located at 316 Main Street, Cañon City, CO.

What is needed to complete the project is noted below. The Center can either accept the actual items or a monetary donation toward an item or the project in general.

For additional information, feel free to contact Justin Smith at 720-670-0742 or email him at info@bridgecanoncity.com. Please make your donations out to Living Stone Cavalry Chapel, and note in the memo line, “Bridge Youth Center”.

You can mail your donations for the Youth Center to: Living Stone Calvary Chapel, 830 Bridge Street, Cañon City, CO 81212 or donate online at LSCalvary.org/giving

THE BRIDGE Cañon City Youth Center Items Needed

FURNITURE

Couches, chairs, tables, stools, desks, etc.
Estimated cost: \$4,500

DECOR

Lighting, rugs, curtains, decorations, paint, etc
Estimated cost: \$3,000

STAGE

Stage construction, sound equipment, lighting
Estimated cost: \$3,800

CAFE

Fridge/freezer/ice machine (\$450)
Coffee machine/grinder (\$250)
Espresso machine (\$2,975)
Various supplies (\$200)
Dishes (\$300)
Estimated Total: \$4,175

ELECTRONICS

Wireless router & range extender (\$90)
Accessories, cables, etc (\$250)
(2) iPads for kid check-in (\$250)
Projector sound system (\$370)
Projector & screen (\$440)
(3) flat screen tvs (\$650)
Game systems (\$850)
Stereo System (\$475)
(3) computers (\$900)
Apple TV (\$75)
Estimated Total: \$4,100

GAMES

Pool table, ping pong (2), foosball, air hockey, etc
Estimated cost: \$1,200

CONSTRUCTION

Estimated cost: \$2850

KIDS

Friday, June 24, 2016

June 21, 1788 United States Constitution Ratified

After winning independence in the Revolutionary War, the colonies faced the problem of establishing a government. The Articles of Confederation was an agreement among the original thirteen colonies which established a government of states in 1781. They called their Confederation the United States of America. The Articles served as the basic law of the new nation. However, the government established was not strong enough to govern the new nation, and the new nation entered a period of unstable commercial and political conditions. Representatives from five states met and proposed that they appoint delegates to meet and consider revising the Articles of Confederation.

On May 25, 1787 the Constitutional Convention convened at Independence Hall in Pennsylvania. All states sent representatives, except for Rhode Island, which did not want the national government to interfere with their affairs. Of the 55 delegates, 39 signed the United States Constitution on September 17, 1787. The delegates also agreed that each state should hold a special convention to discuss and vote on the Constitution. As soon as nine states ratified (approved) the Constitution, it would take effect and they would begin to organize the new government.

On June 21, 1788, New Hampshire became the ninth state to ratify the Constitution, putting it into effect. So, today we have the Constitution of the United States with its Preamble and the Bill of Rights. If you have never read the Constitution, feel free to stop by the *Sentinel* office and pick up a free pocket version.

by Audrey Slater, Sources: World Book Encyclopedia

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So flee youthful passions and pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace, along with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart.

II Timothy 2:22 ESV

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Events Calendar

Friday, June 24, 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Sunday June 26, 2 p.m.
SHAKESPEARE IN THE SANGRES:
“ **King Lear** ” by William Shakespeare \$\$
Feed Store Amphitheater \$\$

Saturday June 25th , 9:00 am to 1:00 p.m.
Custer County Annual Weed Tour
Meet at All Aboard Westcliffe 110 Rosita Ave.

Saturday June 25th , 8 a.m. to noon
Westcliffe Bird and Small Animal Swap Meet
1 Hermit Lane, Silver Cliff

Saturday, June 25th, 9 a.m.
3rd **Annual Westcliffe Consignment Auction**
(All commissions go to Amish school)
Rodeo Grounds in Westcliffe

Monday, June 27, All Day to Friday, July 1, All Day
Rolland Fiddle Camp \$\$

Tuesday, June 28, 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Rolland Fiddle Camp
Public Square Dance with live caller & band at Tony’s Mountain Pizza 630 Main Street, Silver Cliff **FREE**

Wednesday June 29, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Farmers Market
Jess Price Park, Westcliffe

Thursday June 30
9 a.m. **County Commissioners**
Meeting in the Boardroom

Friday, July 1, 3:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Rolland Fiddle Camp Concert
and Camp/Community **Jam Session**

at Wild West Cowboy Church, **FREE**
60260 Highway 69, Westcliffe

Friday, July 1, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Feed Store Amphitheater
SHAKESPEARE IN THE SANGRES:
“**Loves Labor Lost**” Feed Store Amphitheater \$\$

Saturday, July 2, 7 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
Pancake Breakfast
Under the tent at the Depot
102 Main St. Westcliffe \$\$

Saturday, Sunday, Monday, July 2- 4 at 9 a.m.
Vendors at parking lot south of the Engine House on Rosita Ave. For more info go to: <http://www.allaboardwestcliffe.org>

Saturday, July 2, 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.
Sangres Art Guild - **Summer Show Reception & Ice Cream Social**
59000 N. Highway 69, Westcliffe

Saturday, July 2, 6:30 p.m.
Sunday, July 3, 2 p.m.
SHAKESPEARE IN THE SANGRES:
“**King Lear**” by William Shakespeare
Feed Store Amphitheater \$\$

Monday, July 4, 7 a.m.
Pancake Breakfast
Under the tent at the Depot \$\$

Monday, July 4, 10 a.m.
Independence Day Parade
Starting at Mining Company in Silver Cliff
Proceeding west on Main Street

Monday, July 4, 9 p.m. – 10 p.m
July 4th Fireworks Display at Lake Deweese
Paid for by Donations

Recurring Events

Monday
Club America — 7:55 a.m. High Altitude Training; 9 a.m. Water Aerobics; 10:15 a.m. Stretch; 11:30 a.m. Muscles; 1:00 p.m. Low Impact; 5:15 p.m. Step Aerobics
6 p.m. Closed Step Study Alcoholics Anonymous at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in Westcliffe.
Call Jim at 783-2053 or (360) 509-9172 or Emilie at (719) 371-5974.

1st and 3rd Mondays
4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Writers group at the Library. If you write or would like to start writing, please join us in the Community Room for peer editing, feedback, ideas, comradery, and more.

Tuesday
Club America — 9:15 a.m. Stretch; 10:30 a.m. Zumba; 10:30 a.m. Chair Strength; 4 p.m. Kids Zone; 4 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Core Conditioning.
12 – 4:30 p.m. Bridge Club meets in the Library Community Room in downtown Westcliffe.
6 p.m. Bible Study at Wild West Cowboy Church. Call 719-783-2676

1st Tuesday of the Month
6:30 p.m. at Cliff Lanes
American Legion Post 170 monthly meeting.
6:45 p.m. Post 170 Auxiliary monthly meeting (March – October) at the Saddle Club.

Wednesday
Club America — 7:55 a.m. High Altitude Training; 8:00 a.m. Kids Zone; 10:00 a.m. Low Impact; 5:15 p.m. Step Aerobics.
9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Farmers Market. Jess Price Park, Westcliffe.
9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. Line dancers meet at the Methodist Church. Call Clem at (303) 909-7370.
6 p.m. Closed Big Book Study Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in Westcliffe. Call Jim at 783-2053 or (360) 509-9172 or

Emilie at (719) 371-5974
6:30 p.m. Men’s and Women’s Bible Study. First Baptist Church of Westcliffe Call 719-783-2498.
6:30 p.m.-8 p.m. Custer County Community Band practice in the band room at the high school.

Last Wednesday of the Month
11 a.m. Book Club meeting at the West Custer County Library. Open to the public.

Thursday
Club America — 9 a.m. Water Aerobics; 9:15 a.m. Yoga; 10:30 a.m. Zumba; 10:30 a.m. Chair Strength; 4 p.m. Kids Zone; 4:00 p.m. – 6 p.m. Core Conditioning.

Second Thursday of the Month
10 a.m. – 11 a.m. “Ask a Nurse” at the library.

Friday
Club America — 7:55 a.m. High Altitude Training; 9:00 a.m. Water Aerobics; 9:15 a.m. Stretch; 10:30 a.m. Muscles.
6 p.m. Open Discussion Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church. Call Jim at 783-2053 or (360) 509-9172 or Emilie at (719) 371-5974.
7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Bible Talks with Domenic Enrietta and John Hartig. At the Library Community Room. All welcome. No charge.

Saturday
10 a.m. Wet Mountain Al-Anon Family Group meets at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church. Call Dee (719) 404-1851 or Jean (719) 371-1229.
2 p.m. Laughter Yoga at the West Custer County Library. Open to the public.
3 p.m. Open Drum Circle at the West Custer County Library. All ages welcome! If you have a drum, please bring it. We have a few spares.

3rd Saturday of Month
9 a.m. VFW meeting at Cliff Lanes
Conference Room for more info call Commander Randy Knight 783-9340.

Services

Club America 50 E. Main Street Silver Cliff, CO 81252 (719) 783-0750 Public Swim hrs. – Fri. and Sat. 12 p.m. – 4 p.m. \$2 PER PERSON	Custer County Community Sharing Center Inc. 120 N. 3rd St. Westcliffe, CO 8125 (719)371-7664 Fri.- Sat. 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.	West Custer County Library 209 Main Street Westcliffe, CO 81252 (719) 783-9138 Tue. – Fri.: 10 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Sat.:10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Custer County Senior Center 612 Main St. Silver Cliff, CO 81252 (719) 783-9508 Lunch; Mon., Tues. & Thur. at Noon. RSVP by 9:30 a.m.	Lighthouse Pregnancy Resources 417 Cliff Street Silver Cliff, CO 81252 (719) 783-4357 Mon. – Thur. 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Fri. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.	Wet Mt. Rotary Van Service For transportation needs, contact Van Dispatch (719) 783-2343 Mon. – Fri. 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Veterans Service Office of Custer County Colorado Information Workshop on Veterans Issues 14 July 2016 11 a.m.- 2 p.m. Ranchers Roost Banquet Room 25 Main St. Westcliffe, CO 81252

Doors will open at 10:45. Guest speaker for the event will be Michael “Mickey” Hunt, the Deputy Executive Director for the Colorado Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. Come and learn from Mickey and his staff and others in the community how we can identify needs, improve services and find resources to support the veterans in Custer County. The event is open to the public but seating is limited. There will be an opportunity to ask questions during the workshop. Please RSVP.
Contact: Tim Swartz, Custer County Veterans Service Officer at 783-9470.

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Sentinel Photo by Fred Hernandez

An Elevation Celebration

by Fred Hernandez

BELIEVE IT OR NOT... it has been one year, on June 18th, since partners Danny Newton, William Taylor and, their wives, Fawnda and Danielle, first opened for business at their Second Street location.

To thank the community for the support they enjoyed since then, they hosted a barbecue party right outside their front door on Saturday afternoon from noon till just before four. The attendance was high as customers, regulars and new ones, visitors and neighbors, all came in from every direction following the delicious scents wafting all over the area of Second Street and Main. More than three hundred delicious barbecued hot dogs in buns were served

with "fixin's" followed by ice cream, on a warm June afternoon, which topped off the delightful fare.

Will Taylor was overjoyed

at the response from the community and looks forward to continuing to serve all of Custer County with their great, high quality meats and the freshest sea-

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July 4th; 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

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**Deer Mnt. Red Suspenders Annual
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Sausage, pancakes, eggs, juice and coffee for only \$6. All proceeds benefit the Deer Mnt. Fire Department.

AT&T Network All But Working Fine “But we’ll let you out of your contract”

by Paul Sage,
News and Commentary

At the request of the Custer County Commissioners, on Friday, June 17th, AT&T representatives rolled into the Custer County School multi-purpose room to explain a recent specific outage and answer questions from an audience of generally unhappy customers.

The team from AT&T included Jennifer Price – AT&T Director of External Affairs, Ken Malm – a technical expert, and Rob Bennett, a 911 system expert.

You may recall that this flurry of activity began a short time ago after a previous commissioner meeting at which Ms. Price and Mr. Malm reported during a conference call that the AT&T network was all working normally except for a 15-hour complete outage due to fumbled tower work by an outside contractor. While most residents reported experiencing various outages during that week, which were even more pronounced than the mediocre service normally expected here, charts produced by AT&T showed that normal call volume was taking place during all of this time.

At this meeting, Wet Mountain Fire Chief Dave Tonsing confirmed previous statements by Sheriff Byerly that in fact, the 911 system was not operational for a full five days. Mr. Bennett explained the complexities of the 911 system and again reaffirmed that based on their charts on call volume, the system was all



Ms. Price, AT&T Director of External Affairs—with charts showing normal call volumes taking place in the area.

Photo by Paul Sage

working fine and it must be someone else’s problem – if indeed there really was a problem.

When pressed by audience members about why AT&T generally operates poorly as a rule, it was explained

This technical term refers to “the radical component of two uncorrelated Gaussian random variables,” according to Wikipedia.

While we sat in the meeting, my phone went from three bars to no service (when I called 911 nothing would happen), to “E” service and back to multiple bars. It is an I Phone 6s. So clearly “Rayleigh fading” was in play here – or maybe it was “Rician fading” since Rayleigh was formulated more to address the effect of heavily built up urban areas on radio signals.

The point to all this nonsense seemed to be to baffle

the paying customers in the room into believing that the charts must be right and we must just be too technically challenged or nuts or plain dumb to understand the genius of all this technology and therefore continue to pay the regular fee for what is clearly sub-standard – possibly even dangerous service – must be the only option.

Ms. Price did, at long last, break out the opt-out option. This allows dissatisfied AT&T customers to cancel their contracts between now and the end of August with no penalties or termination fees. In response to an audience question on this, she said this would also apply to equipment fees. There are likely a dozen pages of fine print attached to all this by the time the AT&T lawyers get done with it, but we have it recorded in case there are any questions.

The other advice given by the experts was to have a back-up plan, since customers in Custer County can’t count on the system being reliable. Get a land line, get a ham radio, get a string and a couple soup cans, but have a back-up plan since there is no likelihood that AT&T will be reliable here.

According to Ms. Price, customer service will know of your eligibility to cancel your contract and equipment fees when you contact them if you choose to. Ms. Price’s office address is 188 Inverness Dr. W., Suite 400, Englewood, CO 80112. Her e-mail is ip210@att.com and her cell phone number is 303-218-8082.

Good luck and may the Rayleigh force be with you.

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Church of Christ
9:30 a.m. Bible Study
10:30 a.m. Worship
5:00 p.m. Worship
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10 a.m. Worship
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10:30 a.m. Worship
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719-940-4326

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6 p.m. Worship
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10:30 a.m. Fellowship
10:45 a.m. Worship
6 p.m. Worship
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9:30 a.m. Worship
10:45 a.m. Sunday School
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Church**
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7 p.m. Thursday Bible Study
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10 a.m. Fellowship
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10:30 a.m. Worship & Eucharist
11:30 a.m. Fellowship
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Westcliffe
719-783-3477

St. Patrick's Anglican Church
11 a.m. Worship
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Westcliffe
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Valley Bible Fellowship
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Westcliffe Community Church
10 a.m. Worship
100 N. Adams St.
Westcliffe
719-783-2541

Western Baptist Church
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10:45 a.m. Worship
6 p.m. Worship
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Horseshoe
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Western Community Church
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10 a.m. Worship
680 County Rd. 593
Horseshoe
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CUSTER COUNTY LEGAL NOTICES

Custer County BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Tentative Agenda
THURSDAY, JUNE 30, 2016
9:00 AM

Meeting Location:
Commissioners Boardroom

Call meeting to order
Pledge of allegiance Roll Call
Amend agenda
Approval of minutes:
Audience introduction
Public Comment
Commissioner Items
Attorney Items
Executive Session
New/Old Business
- Special Events permit for Chamber
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- Review vouchers and sign checks

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liberal tax and spend schemes of groups like the Economic Development Corporation.

Mr. Falske is to be commended for frequently showing up for commissioner meetings since throwing his hat into the ring. In fact, he frequently shows up in a lot of places he previously showed no interest in since his campaign began. Mr. Printz still shows no real interest in these goings on. I do recall seeing him show up at commissioner meetings a few times, but only as an attorney representing a paying client.

Mr. Printz's recent response to a *Tribune* reporter's question about the new Westcliffe marijuana ordinance that "I wouldn't have written the law if it was illegal" was oddly reminiscent of "you have to sign it before you know what's in it" or "if you like your insurance you can keep it" of Obamacare.

Another odd coincidence is that Mr. Printz, like Mrs. Hood are the hands-down favorites among the Democrats, who are again being encouraged by party leadership to jump ship and become rinos so they can vote in the election.

Both Mr. Falske and Mr. Printz lay claim to a number of things they will change if elected. Neither shows an understanding of the fact that being a commissioner is a team sport and things get done when more than one wants to move in a common direction. Mr. Falske promises to offer evening meetings. Commissioner Kattnig tried this once during the honeymoon after his election. Never since.

Mr. Falske is also claiming that since this is an election year, suddenly miraculous things are happening in county government. For example, the Sheriff's Department has bought a few trucks and some roads are getting extra attention. Sorry – no magic wand required. These are all standard operating procedures. The most ludicrous claim was that suddenly the Wetmore Community Center project is moving forward. That kind of statement not only ignores all of the facts, but is an insult to the commissioner currently serving the district, as well as the citizens he claims to want to serve, many of whom have been involved in the planning process for this project for years.

Playing fast and loose with political hit pieces like that to try to win over a few vot-

ers shows a clear inability to truly serve in this position.

Mr. Printz shows an arrogance and lack of interest in learning about the process because he does, after all, have an impressive resume doing other things. And Mr. Falske does not exhibit a respect for the position or the constituents.

Mrs. Attebery, whether she liked it or not, has lived this job for eight years as her husband battled through it. She has deep roots in the community and shares the values of a majority of the citizens. She is not easily rattled by nonsense like the claims of her opponents here or the buffoons running the state political machine in Denver, which work tirelessly to ignore the realities and needs of small rural communities.

Mrs. Attebery understands that preserving our rural heritage is the fight of our life, not acute campaign slogan thrown around by liberals trying to make inroads in our conservative county. She knows what that fight takes and can deliver it. She is also the only candidate whose private business experience gives her a realistic perspective on financial responsibility.

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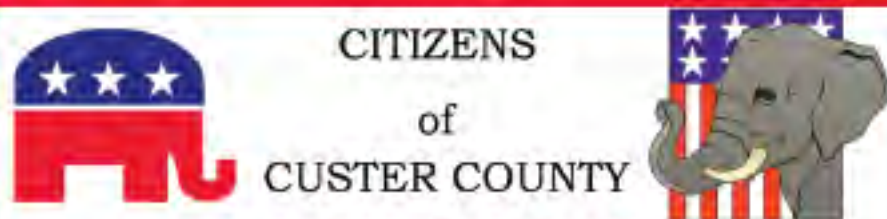
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Place: Sangre Home Décor
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Everyone is invited to come and share their thoughts and questions.

Memorial Service

Stanley Lee Francis

June 25th at 2 p.m.
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Top 4th grade girls:

- 1st Najaletta King 13:00.0
- 2nd Marin Kienbusch 14:19.6
- 3rd Victoria Shepherd 14:33.3

Top 4th grade boys:

- 1st Ben Stafford 14:12.1
- 2nd Joshua Wofford 15:21.8
- 3rd Ethan Dulohery 16:43.6



Fifth Grade

Swim two lengths of the pool, bike 2.5 miles, and run 1/2 mile.

Top 5th grade girls:

- 1st Katelyn Canon 14:20.2
- 2nd Haley Nameth 17:40.9
- 3rd Emma Rusk 17:53.4

Top 5th grade boys:

- 1st Garrett Stepanich 14:17.2
- 2nd Cameron Penkoff 17:20.9
- 3rd Ty Bomgardner 17:33.3



Sixth Grade

Swim two lengths of the pool, bike 2.5 miles, and run 1/2 mile.

Top 6th grade girls:

- 1st Kyleigh Martin 13:37.9
- 2nd Eryn Lemoine 14:02.4
- 3rd Brooke Flynn 14:26.2

Top 6th grade boys:

- 1st John Shepherd 11:19.1
- 2nd Ben Penkoff 14:03.3
- 3rd Harrison Walter 14:17.0



Results courtesy of Online Race Results

Sentinel Photos by Jennifer Russ

Just Wait: If You Love the VA, Colorado Amendment 69 Will Be Amazing

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

When he was here for the Air Force Academy graduation, President Obama offered the *Colorado Springs Gazette* answers on the massive dysfunction within the VA health care system. *The Gazette* called his answers disheartening, but it's even more than that. If socialized medicine is the end state that Democrats are pushing, then this is what our

country has to look forward to.

Here's an excerpt from *The Gazette* article:

"The notion of dismantling the VA system would be a mistake," Obama told The Gazette, claiming to have improved the agency.

If you look at, for example, VA health care, there have been challenges getting people into the

system. Once they are in, they are extremely satisfied and the quality of care is very high.

"That's not the overarching message we hear from veterans, including those who have long been in the system. Wait times are long enough some die while waiting for appointments. An internal report found wait times in Colorado Springs were covered up by the doctoring of records."

Just remember this cautionary tale when Amendment 69 advocates try to sell you on the idea that government-run healthcare will provide better care. Government-run healthcare has been done before. It didn't work out all that well. Just ask the veterans who died waiting for care.

(Editor/GG: In case you haven't heard, Colorado Amendment 69 is a proposal by our lovely lib-

erals in Colorado to eliminate the current health care system in Colorado and replace it with a state run, and totally taxpayer funded, single payer system. What could possibly go wrong?)

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Taking Advantage of Tragedy: Bennet's Gun-Grabbing Strategy

by ColoradoPeakPolitics.com

U.S. Sen. Michael Bennet filibustered the Senate along with other Democrats demanding new gun laws, because that's how Democrats mourn tragedies, they politicize it.

It's disgusting and we're tired of Bennet and others using the emotions of the American people to pass their unconstitutional, political agenda of gun control.

The ransom they demanded for releasing the Senate hostage — pass laws making the AR-15 illegal, a type of weapon not used in the Orlando shooting.

They also want anyone listed on a watch list, without due process, to be banned from purchasing a firearm. The Orlando shooter, although clearly a terrorist who was investigated by the FBI, was not on a watchlist. We need only look at the no-fly list to see how inept the government is at list-keeping to shut down that option.

Finally, Bennet demanded that Congress pass laws requiring background checks and shutting down gun show sales.

"But unlike Washington, in Colorado our legislators actually rose to the occasion to make some tough decisions. They got together and actually strengthened our background check system. Colorado's legislature closed the gun show loophole and the internet loophole and required a background check for every gun sale," Bennet said.

By all means Congressional Democrats, get right on that. It worked out swell here in Colorado, what with the successful recall of former state Senate President John Morse and former state Sen. Angela Giron.

According to Bennet, Colorado Democrats and their laws prevented kidnapping, murder, domestic violence and rape from ever happening here, because two percent of all gun purchases were blocked in 2015.

"This isn't mythical, this is actual fact," Bennet said.

You can watch Bennet's sad, pathetic, and shameless Senate performance at <http://www.c-span.org/video/?411209-1/us-senate-holds-15hour-debate-gun-control>.

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Tavern Style Politics

Amendment 69 and You

Join us as our special guest, Don Rodgers explains Amendment 69 and how it affects Colorado taxpayers at our first Liberty Rocks *Tavern Style Politics meeting on Thursday, June 30th. We will meet at Tony's Pizza at 5:30 pm and the presentation will begin at 6 pm. Come, eat, drink, and learn how you will be affected. We plan to have monthly meetings through the summer on the last Thursday of the month.

You don't want to miss this educational opportunity and gathering of liberty lovers. The evening's entertainment will include humor (for those who are too serious), the 30 second soap box, and general political discussion. Just like our founding fathers did.

Don Rodgers is the leader of the 9-12 Pikes Peak Patriots in Colorado Springs and has been politically active for over ten years. The 9-12 Pikes Peak Patriots has been responsible for many victories in Colorado politics.

*During the founding of our country, taverns were the avenues of open debate and discussion. The brushfires of liberty were fanned in these settings and culminated in the greatest nation in all of recorded history.



Colorado State News



Government Broadband Should Be Avoided

by Johnny Kampis,
JudicialWatch.Org

A recent study says government networks should be a last resort for cities and states looking to expand broadband service to underserved areas.

The report from the State Government Leadership Foundation, a national conservative policy organization, indicates municipal broadband networks have plenty of drawbacks, primarily in squandering taxpayer money and stifling competition.

George S. Ford, chief economist for the Phoenix Center for Advanced Legal and

Public Policy Studies and the author of the report, said the municipal broadband debate is growing more heated.

“A central question in the argument is how these government interventions into the business of building digital networks affect the economy,” he said. “I conclude that because there are questionable economic advantages resulting from government-owned broadband — but numerous disadvantages — municipal broadband should be a last resort option, reserved for markets where private entry is not possible.”

Ford notes that municipi-

pal broadband is often not possible without subsidies, and many government networks have been created by everything from state community block grants to federal stimulus dollars. In the case of the hotly contested Chattanooga Electric Power Board network, the city system got a federal grant equal to about \$2,000 per subscriber. Municipal providers got about \$7,000 per subscriber to serve customers in southwest Virginia.

In addition to the plethora of tax dollars that flow to these networks, another major sticking point for opponents is governments’ ability to drive away competition.

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Ford writes that municipal networks often obtain more than 60 percent market share and drive smaller providers out of the market. He reports that even the threat of a government network being created can deter private providers from entering the market.

“If municipal systems are truly not interested in profit maximization, as is frequently claimed, then municipal entry may be a poison pill for all private sector investment,” Ford wrote.

Twenty-three states have enacted laws limiting the size and scope of government networks, although the Federal Communications Commission preempted laws in Tennessee and North Carolina to allow municipal broadband networks to expand in Chattanooga and Wilson. The attorneys general of those states sued, and a case is pending in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.

A ruling is expected by the end of the month.

In reaction to Ford’s report, Mississippi Lt. Gov. Tate Reeves noted that municipal networks are often cost-

ly to the residents forced to subsidize them.

“Captive electric ratepayers across the nation have been saddled with thousands of dollars’ worth of subsidies to pay for government-owned networks in direct competition with the private sector,” Reeves said. “As a conservative Republican, I believe there are more effective ways to promote broadband development in our cities and states: Let the market, not the government, drive those decisions.”

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Liberals Rejoice! Bennet Supports the Draft for Girls

by ColoradoPeak
Politics.com

Just when we thought we had nailed U.S. Sen. Michael Bennet’s position on the closing of Gitmo — he’s against it, but he’s also against moving detainees to Colorado because he’s up for reelection — he changes his mind again.

Bennet voted in favor of the \$602 billion Defense authorization bill Tuesday that blocks President Obama from closing Gitmo, a direct affront to Obama who is threatening to veto it.

So this week, he’s for it!

In particular, the statement from the

executive branch stressed that the Senate’s intention to “extend” operations at Guantanamo Bay, the notorious U.S. detention camp in Cuba, was unacceptable. Obama hopes to close the facility by the end of his term in November in order to fulfill one of his major campaign promises from back in 2008.

Bennet’s Democratic base won’t like that, because they want Gitmo closed and the detainees released back into the war-on-terror wild.

But the liberal ladies will love that Bennet voted for the bill, because it forwards a critical position in the war to equalize the sexes by requiring

teenage girls to put down their pom poms, and take up bombs by registering for the draft.

Girls who are 16 now, would be the first to register to go to war when they turn 18 in 2018.

Politically speaking, Bennet truly couldn’t win for losing in voting for this bill, which is probably why he didn’t issue a press release, and no one in the Colorado media is writing about it. Until now.

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403 W. 5th St. Florence

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Christians Not To Blame For Shooting In Orlando

by Charlotte Burrous
Editor and Reporter,
The Crusader

It takes some gall to blame Christians for the shooting in Orlando, FL. We had nothing to do with it. It was a Muslim, who hated gays. He talked about it all the time. He even talked about it at work, but his co-workers were afraid to say anything because they would have been accused of hate speech.

That’s what’s wrong with this country. Anybody can say anything about anything, but Christians. If we point out what it says in the Bible, we’re narrow minded, homophobic and full of hate. But we’re not. We don’t hate anyone. Jesus told us , “ ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind;’ and,

‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ ” (Luke 10:27). This guy came from Afghanistan and was the son of the former candidate who ran for the office of president in that same country. Mateen spent time in the Pulse and knew all about it. According to various sources, he also attended an Islamic Center, which had been under investigation by the FBI and DHS since 2011. Mateen also was heavily involved with the Muslim faith; he even visited Mecca and Mideast countries since 2013.

At one point, I even heard he might have had ties with the shooter in California, who killed multiple people earlier this year. But that’s all been shut down. The media and the left would rather blame the Christians because we speak the truth. The Bible is not dead; neither is God. We may not

understand everything, but I believe we will understand it all by and by. II Chronicles 20:15 tells us, “This is what the LORD says to you: ‘Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God’s.’”

When the world seems out of kilter, then I think of the song, “There will be a day,” which reminds us that someday there will be no more tears, no more pain or fears. And we never walk alone even when the journey is long and we feel like we are alone.

So as usual, the left and Obama are pointing their fingers at everyone but the true culprits, the Muslims, who are out to destroy our way of life and to rid the world of Christians. But I’ve read the back of the book. We win.

Missing Man Believed To Be Alluding Law Enforcement

by Charlotte Burrous

Law enforcement are looking for a man who disappeared after the raft he was in flipped over. He and four other passengers, including a one-year-old child, fell in to the Arkansas River near Ash Street in Cañon City.

The incident began about 3:24 p.m. when Fremont Com’s dispatch received a 911 call.

When Fremont County Deputies and Cañon City Fire crews arrived on scene, they were able to locate two of the people that fell in, already out of the water and safe. Moments later, a mother and the one-year-old child were found and pulled from the water but stated that one more person, an adult male, was still missing in the water. According to the report, the party said the missing male was not wearing a life preserver.

Numerous agencies including FCSO, Colorado Parks and Wildlife, Fremont Search and Rescue, FCSO

Incident Management team and Pueblo County responded and began searching the river.

The crews searched the Arkansas River from Ash Street all the way into Pueblo County by foot, raft, jet ski and helicopter until dark when search crews called off the search due to safety.

The search was suspended for the night and resumed at 6 a.m., June 12th.

During the search, it was determined the missing man, Styron Smith, 31, of Cañon City, had a nationwide warrant out of Colorado Department of Corrections for absconding from parole where he was originally in prison for assault and labeled violent.

On June 12th, at approximately 5 a.m., family of Styron Smith called law enforcement stating that they found some of his clothing that he was wearing at the time of the river accident at their home in Cañon City and believed that he was out of the river and OK.

FCSO Deputies responded and confirmed with the family that the clothing found was in fact what Smith had been wearing at the time of the accident. At that time,



the river search for Styron Smith was canceled as officers believe Smith is avoiding contact with FCSO deputies due to his outstanding warrant.

Styron Smith is described as 5’8”, 150 lbs. with black hair, brown eyes and dark skin. If anyone has any information on the whereabouts of Styron Smith, please call dispatch at 719-784-3411, press 1 at recording.

Information provided by Fremont County Sheriff’s Department.



Royal Gorge Bridge & Park will host its Park After Dark event June 30th, featuring the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band and the band’s 50th anniversary tour at 8 p.m. The new amphitheater seats 2,500 people.

The fun, begins at 6:30 p.m., followed by the concert at 8 p.m. Rides and attractions will be open until 10 p.m. Tickets are \$40 for the concert. If people wish to spend the day at the park and attend

the concert, the price is \$65. Seating is limited for the concert series is produced by FrogDawg-Productions. See http://royalgorgebridge.com/events/park-after-dark-concert-series/ for tickets! Hospital.

Upcoming Events June 24– August 7

Tuesdays —**Cañon City Farmers Market** will begin June 7 and continue weekly from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. in Veterans Park, featuring local farmers, bakers, artisans and nonprofits.

Tuesdays —**Cañon City Entertainment in the Park** will be presented from 7-9 p.m., beginning June 7 in Veterans Park. The event will offer a plethora of music and entertainment throughout the summer. For more information, call 275-2331.

Wednesdays— **Puppies at the Library** will be featured from 2-4 p.m. at the Cañon City Public Library at 516 Macon Ave. Pick a dog; pick a book; pick a time. For more information, call 269-9020.

Wednesdays —**Florence Entertainment in the Park** will be held from 7-9 p.m. Pioneer Park in Florence.

Thursdays —**Florence Farmers Market** will be held from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursdays in Pioneer Park in Florence.

June 24-25, Royal Gorge Whitewater Festival will be offered in Centennial Park. For more information, check royalgorgewhitewaterfestival.com or 275-1578.

June 25th, The Cripple Creek District Museum will host a **book signing** for Jan Mackell Collins’ new book, “Lost Ghost Towns of Teller County” from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at 510 Bennett Dr. in Cripple Creek.

June 28th, End of month Festival for Entertainment in the Park will be held from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in Veterans Park. Activities include music, food and a beer garden.

June 28th, Book Talk featuring Carol A. Wilson and Clara, Singing Acres Ranch, authors of “Because We Wanted To” , at 1 p.m. at the John C. Fremont Library at 130 Church Ave. in Florence.

June 30, Park After Dark 6:30 p.m.-10 p.m. Concert features the **Nitty Gritty Dirt Band**. See feature on this page.

July 2nd, A War Memorial Wall Dedication will be held in a ceremony at 10 a.m. at the Fremont County Airport.

July 2nd, Humane Society Animal Swap from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Tractor Supply Company at 1919 E. Main St. in Cañon City.

July 2-4, Annual Fourth of July festivities in Florence. Activities include a parade, craft fair, concerts and fireworks. The Wet/Dry Parade will begin at 10 a.m. in downtown Florence.

July 16th, Orchard of Hope will host its annual **Walk for Hope** at 8 a.m. with opening ceremonies at 9 a.m. in Veterans Park. For more information, call 275-0089.

July 30 – Aug. 7, Fremont County Fair at the Fairgrounds at the top of Ninth Street hill. For more information, visit www.fremontcountyfair.com.

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A Government Against The People

This has been a very revealing week for Americans. The recent terror attack in Orlando and the response by leadership has raised questions that none of us should have to ask as citizens of a free nation. At a time when CIA Director John Brennan warned the Senate Intelligence Committee that Islamic State terrorists are likely to be smuggled into the country through legitimate "refugee flows," the White House has said it has allocated additional staff and added more processing locations in the Middle East to expedite the screening process of Syrian refugees in an attempt to bring in at least 10,000 by September 30, 2016. This begs the question: Is the current leadership purposely trying to destroy America as we know it?

Also, appearing on Fox News "Hannity" Tuesday, former Homeland Security officer Philip Haney said the U.S. government has willfully deleted critical information that may have prevented the two recent Islamic terror attacks on American soil. He said that in 2012, the State Department shut down an anti-terrorist initiative, demanding intelligence based on religious affiliation be disregarded out of concern for Muslims' civil liberties. He said that the attacks in Orlando and San Bernardino may have been prevented if this policy was not in effect. Notwithstanding, it is extremely irresponsible and disturbing that our government would deliberately protect the rights of terrorists at the expense of innocent citizens.

CIA's Brennan says Americans can expect more "guerilla" attacks by lone wolf terrorists with allegiance to the Islamic State (IS).

McClatchy DC reports Brennan said in his prepared testimony that IS is gradually cultivating its various branches into an interconnected network. The branch in Libya is likely the most advanced and most dangerous, but IS is trying to increase its influence in Africa. The IS branch in the Sinai has become the "most active and capable terrorist group in Egypt," attacking the Egyptian military, government, foreigners and tourists. Who, during Arab Spring, destabilized Libya and Egypt by supporting al Qaeda and the Muslim Brotherhood? The answer: the "president" and Hillary Clinton's State Department.

We must actually suspend our disbelief to assimilate that the current leadership is either extremely incompetent or is purposeful in its actions against the defense of this nation and the general welfare of the people. Either way, it has become a government against the people. Moreover, the government's strategy to prevent additional terrorist attacks is to placate Muslim communities, bring in more Islamic "refugees," and to disarm U.S. citizens. Ephesians 5:6 says, "Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things comes the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience." The deception in this leadership is so against God that the consequences are likely to be felt by every one of us. We need to effect change or we will suffer the consequences of a government that has become destructive to the rights and safety of its citizens.

Have a Blessed and Powerful Day!

Bill Wilson

www.dailyjot.com

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by George Patton

I think everyone is familiar with the famous confidence trick that is called three card monte (also known as "find the lady", the "three card trick" and the "shell game"). It's been around since the 15th century and is a classic confidence game around the world.

For those who aren't familiar with the game (and it's variations with a cup and marble, or shells, the three-card Monte game itself is very simple.

The game works because the mark is concentrating on what the mark wants them to see, while the con is in reality doing what they really want.

We're being played like marks right now over the shootings in Florida. Stop and think about that for a second before you read on. Think about all the discussions out there right now. Guns, Muslims, gays, immigration, ISIS, you name it. And it's all a game.

Don't feel bad though, because our opponents in the liberal camp are being played too.

Neither side in the so-called war on guns really wants to accomplish their stated goals. It's a con game to keep us distracted from what they are really doing.

The Republicans have had the White House and the Senate and the House and they have never passed real pro-gun legislation. Bought a full auto lately? Heck, have you priced a full auto lately?

The Democrats as recently as a few years ago had Obama and the Senate and the House. They didn't pass gun confiscation legislation either.

It's a game to keep us distracted. The Republicans get to scare us with threats of Democrat gun control and we send them money and vote them into office. For the Democrats, it keeps their rabid base energized to send the Democrats lots of money and

get them voted into office.

Heck, even the famous NRA would go broke if real gun rights legislation ever passed into law.

So, how does this lead us to the shootings in Florida?

When things like this happen, I always implore the motto, "follow the money". Who wins with a shooting of this type?

Obviously, the two political parties do. It's unlikely that any real legisla-



tion will be introduced between now and the election. Republicans want to be reelected. Of course Republicans and the NRA are now pushing a "real" bill to keep guns out of the hands of the terrorists. The Democrats will whine and cry that it isn't enough but will go along. Of course, once it's passed and folks want to exercise due process over being on the terrorist watch list, we'll all be told that national security trumps any legal protections.

And both sides will continue their fund raising. Republicans to get into office to "fix the bill" (kind of like repealing Obamacare) and Democrats to keep control in place.

There will be much posturing by both parties regarding the shootings.

The Democrats will cry for more leg-

islation, but of course they will beg for money and tell folks that they just need more of them to be voted into office.

The Republicans will cry for more members and reelection so that they can protect gun rights.

This is the con.

The real objective and what will happen while we're concentrating on the guns is three fold.

First, they will demand (and pass and fund) a larger surveillance state to combat terrorism at its root.

Second, they will demand (and pass and fund) laws to root out domestic terrorists (sold in the law as going after foreigners that live here in America, but in reality use against Americans).

Finally, increase funding to "attack" ISIS overseas. This may or may not include actual American soldiers, but it will certainly include major funding to the neo-con crowd for the actual "fight".

Neo-cons from both parties will pass these bills with high numbers. **Some of us might actually fall for the con.** We'll think we are making us safer. We'll feel so happy that we got to "keep" our gun rights.

A common belief is that the con may let the mark win a couple of bets to suck them in, but this is virtually never true. In a true Monte scam, the mark will never win a single bet.

Like every mark in the three-card-monte game, we're going to lose to our Republican and Democrat con men.

(Editor/GG: This is EXACTLY how the RINO's are playing us. Exactly. It won't change till we primary these RINO's with real conservatives....)

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Bible Verses on Sonic To-Go Bags Have Liberal Heads Exploding

by Onan Coca,
Freedom Outpost

A Sonic drive-thru restaurant in Missouri is facing some pretty severe online backlash after the Internet recently learned that the store was putting Christian stickers on their food packaging.

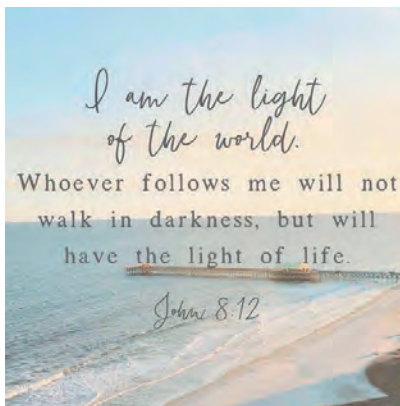
Now the restaurant has stopped putting the stickers on the packaging... but not for the reason you might think. They didn't stop because of pressure from their customers, no, they stopped because demand was too high! In fact, the store didn't choose to stop using the stickers — they were forced to do so when they ran out of them!

This past Thursday the store's Facebook page posted a message saying they were currently out of the beloved stickers, but that they'd soon be giving them away again.

"We are still putting the bible verse stickers on our bags. However [due] to the number of people asking for them, after the news story, we are cur-

rently out," the local Sonic posted on their Facebook page. "Our next shipment of them should arrive in the next couple days. Thanks for your support.

By the way, their Facebook page is



loaded with Christian imagery and conversation, and the store is owned and managed by Christians.

Like this image with John 8:12:

Outraged liberals have been leaving nasty little notes and sending unkind emails ever since the story broke, but

the local restaurant has received a lot of support too. For their part, the corporate office has disavowed any connection to the ongoing activities at their Raymore, Missouri location.

Local media outlet KSHB reported that supporters and critics have taken to Facebook to debate the stickers, with Sonic corporate staying neutral.

"Sonic is a public company, which means they aren't Christian-based such as Hobby Lobby or Chik-Fil-A. However, many Sonic Drive-Ins are franchise owned, therefore owners can make their own unique decisions," noted KSHB.

"Although the Bible verse stickers don't come with every order, the Raymore Sonic doesn't plan on removing them from their business any time soon. Also, employees do have the option to use alternative stickers that are not Bible related."

Please see: freedomoutpost.com/bible-verses-on-sonic-to-go-bags-have-liberals-heads-exploding/

The Disease of Modern Liberalism

by The Zman

Like most everyone, I woke up Sunday to the news that a lunatic had shot up a gay bar in Florida late Saturday night. Also, like most people, I figured it was just another example of the old adage, “nothing good happens after midnight.” Then it became clear it was something more than just the usual trouble and I braced myself for a full blast of crazy from the Cult of Modern Liberalism. I just knew that they would swear this was the fulfillment of prophecy and demand reparations like after the black church shooting.

It did not turn out that way, obviously, as the shooter was a Liberal Democrat and a member of a sacred group. It’s hard to blame the honky when the shooter is a Muslim. Muslims are not real high on the totem pole for the Left, but they still rank higher than whites, even gay whites. The Left is afraid to elevate them too high on the piety pole as even Lefty understands what that means. Once we have a critical mass of Muslims they will

start pitching lesbians off the roof at colleges around the country. That’s their thing.

After getting caught up on

then take a dump on Abe’s lap and the Left would find some way to twist it into proof their cause is just. If the Muslim had used a suicide vest instead of a

“It’s hard to blame the honky when the shooter is a Muslim”

the details of the story I figured, like a lot of people, I’m sure, that the next play for the Left would be guns. Instead of blaming the Religion of Peace™, they would blame the magic of metallurgy and polymers for making the poor Mohammedan go bonkers. It was either that or Donald Trump creating an unfriendly atmosphere. It did not take long for the Cult to settle on guns since Hillary Clinton plans to run on gun grabbing this fall.

That’s the thing. Normals all know the drill now. President Obama could walk out of the White House, shoot a couple of pedestrians, rape a nun and

gun, the Left would have blamed climate change for sending him over the edge. No matter what happens, the war on normal people must continue. It’s what defines them. It’s who they are.

That’s what’s important to understand about the Progressive mind. These are not people who think like normal people. Instead, they are completely immersed in their secular religion, in the same way the Muslim fanatics are consumed by Islam. No matter what happens in the world, the Left looks for a cause in the tenets of their faith. In this case, it is Magic Shape Theory that says shaping

metal into a gun imbues it with the power to take possession of a human, making them into a killer.

This is why they never seem to lose focus on their causes, no matter how many times their cause has been rejected. Disarming the sinners, the bad whites they imagine are holding up the final ascent into the promised land, is a defining goal. After the Civil War, they wanted to murder all the bad whites. They still do, but they need to get the guns first. That’s what matters, not the dead gay guys lying on the dance floor or the Muslim lunatics running loose in the country.

ten miles of the promised land is no better than being a million miles from the promised land so they break whatever deal they made and demand to get a little closer and then a little closer. Before long normal people are getting thrown in prison and having their property confiscated because they did not show enough enthusiasm for sodomy.

It’s an important lesson. There can be no deal struck with these people. There’s no truce to be had or a balance to be struck. What defines American liberalism is an unquantifiable hatred of the sinner, the bad whites

cept them. You can only lie in wait, for your chance at revenge and glory. That’s why they spring to action right after these events.

When the deranged white kid shot up the black church, the Left demanded the removal of every Confederate flag. That caught normal people by surprise as the Civil War has been over for 150 years. To the Left, however, it never ended. It just moved into different phases over time. The old hatreds are still there and any chance they get to exact vengeance on their sworn enemies, they take it. It’s all that matters to them. It is their reason to live.

I’m fond of pointing out that civilization exists in the space between barbarians on one side and fanatics on the other. The fear of the barbarian forces civilized people to do what they must to keep the fanatics under control. America has lost control of the fanatics and they are running amok at a time when barbarians are pouring over the border, abetted by the fanatics who see an advantage. Exploding Mo-

“There can be no deal struck with these people.”

It’s one reason the Left always wins. They never quit. Like all fanatics, they cannot be reasoned with or bargained with, because they can never accept anything but 100% of their goal. Getting within

they see as the reason the prophecies have not been fulfilled. When you define yourself by the moral distance between yourself and the bad people, you can never embrace the bad people. You can never ac-



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June 15, 2016

To Whom It May Concern,

As you know, the TAP construction project was scheduled to start in July. Many merchants expressed concerns regarding this timing, as it is in the busiest time of a short season. Our staff met with both CDOT and North Star, the engineering firm for the project. The staff expressed their concerns, as well as yours, to CDOT and CDOT agreed that postponing the project would be in the best interest of everyone.

Since many contractors have already committed to projects through summer, it was going to be difficult to find anyone that would want to bid on this small project and be able to meet all that CDOT requires of contractors. We are very fortunate that CDOT approved combining funding for the 2016 and 2017 portion of the work. This will allow us to postpone the start date to May 2017 and will make it a larger scope of work, which will hopefully give us more bid options. Our intent is to have a majority of the project completed before the busy season in 2017. We would all prefer that this project take place during the winter months, however, paving, concrete work, and other trades require warmer temperatures.

Since the project has been postponed, the town staff continues to look for funding opportunities that will stretch your tax dollars and encompass a larger portion of town.

If you have any questions or would like to see where the project elements will be, please go by the Town Hall located at 305 Main Street. Office hours are Tuesday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. The staff will be more than happy to show you the map and explain the project.

Interested bidders may obtain further information regarding CDOT requirements by visiting www.CDOT.gov/business/bidding.

Thank you,

Christy Patterson
Mayor
Town of Westcliffe

A Worse Islamic Terror Attack is Coming, and Your Government Won't Save You

by Bob Owens, Bearing Arms

After SWAT teams breached the wall of Pulse nightclub in Orlando, Florida, they quickly brought their Heckler & Koch UMP submachine guns to bear on the radical Islamist terrorist* waiting near a door and cut him down in a hail of bullets.

They then rescued approximately 30 people who had been trapped inside the club, and carried out the wounded.

They were then left in silence, except for the buzzing and chimes from countless cell phones whose owners would never answer another call.

The Islamist terror attack carried out in Orlando was the second-worst terrorist attack in the United States since 9/11, and the deadliest ever with firearms.

Sadly, it's not the worst we will see. It's going to get much, much worse.

In September of 2004, 385 were killed and 783 were murdered by Islamist Chechen terrorists in an attack on a school in Beslan, North Ossetia.

The Mumbai terror attacks were coordinated attacks by nine Islamic terrorists over four days in November of 2008. 166 people were killed. 600+ were injured.



September 2004, Chechnya.

On Saturday 21 September 2013, four Islamist terrorists who had pre-staged their weapons attacked the upscale Westgate Mall in Nairobi, Kenya. 63 people were killed, and 175 were wounded. The casualties would have been much higher, if an off-duty SAS (Special Air Service) commando, (pictured above), and another former SAS commando

and an Irish Ranger had not organized shell-shocked police and returned numerous times to rescue more than two hundred souls.

American counter-terrorism experts know that such an attack or series of attacks is coming here, and they are adamant that we are not remotely ready for this kind of attack.

American police are not trained nor equipped to counter this sort of terrorism. Our leaders are in denial, and have refused to pay for the training and equipment they need.

Courtesy Photo

Soft targets—shopping malls, theaters, schools, stadiums, concert halls, and clubs—have been attacked by untrained or poorly-trained individuals and have created incredible (to Americans) casualties.

When a trained terrorist cell from Hamas, or Hezbollah, or ISIS, or al Qaeda, or another group that has walked over our undefended southern border finally launches one or more coordinate attacks, you're going to see carnage and fear that we've never seen in the United States.

You're going to see shell-shocked police reinforced by federal law enforcement and civilians with their own weapons and gear holding the line and fighting the fight the best they can until the military—Posse Comitatus Act be damned—rushes in Delta Force or DEVGRU or SAD/SOG to do what must be done to take the terrorists down violently.

Sadly, it's going to take the loss of several hundred lives before politicians and the media are forced to acknowledge the folly of soft targets and so-called "gun free zones" that have been the scene of nearly every major mass casualty attack.

Your politicians screaming for "more gun control" behind a phalanx of police and bodyguards after the attack have no interest in defending your life, only exploiting

your death for their political gain.

Deny them.

Fight against gun free zones, seek out good training, and always carry. The best hope you will have if such an attack happens to you is a concealed weapon, good defensive handgun training and the will to defend your life.

* Bearing Arms does not publish the name of mass or spree killers.

(Editor/GG: The Orlando police/SWAT waited outside the nightclub FOR THREE HOURS before going in. During that time the killer was executing people. You could hear the gunshots outside. THEY WAITED THREE HOURS!!! We are NOT immune here in Colorado. Be armed, be aware, be ready. You can be a dead peasant or an alive citizen. Your choice.)

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Where Are the Articles of Impeachment?

by Karl Denniger, Market-Ticker.Org

Where Are the Articles of Impeachment?

Against them all.
Congress.
Obama.
The State Legislatures.
The judges.
All of them.

I have written many times about the revolving door problem in our prisons. There's a basic principle in our justice system that once you serve your time you've paid your debt to society. This is how

it should be, and it should apply **across the board**. Yes, that means that when you get out and probation is done, **it's done**.

No more firearms restrictions, no more anything.

Why?

Because it focuses the mind, that's why. Specifically, it focuses the mind of judges and parole boards on whether or not the person convicted remains a risk to society.

If you can't keep playing post-hoc games **then you must evaluate**

the risk up front and when you're wrong it's blatantly obvious why and who's to blame. That in turn means that the public should rise and **demand** that the person(s) responsible be held accountable -- fired without pensions or even prosecuted if a negligence charge can be sustained.

A few years ago I wrote in the Ticker about a particular individual who shot a Marshal coming to serve a warrant on him. His rap sheet included his first serious felony, carjacking (and resisting arrest), for which he went to prison. He got out and then decided that **sexual assault on a minor** was a good idea, and went to prison

again.

Subsequent to the second release he shot the Marshal.

Of course everyone wants to know why he had a gun. My question is why he was on the street, since it proved that his first crime was not an aberration but rather a way of life -- by committing the second offense.

That Marshal should not be dead, but the indirect responsibility for it lies with everyone involved in that jackwad being released the second time, and thus in a position to shoot somebody.

Now here it appears we have an imam who prosecutors knew was radicalizing people **in prison**, they let him out, and..... the

shooter in Orlando and he have been linked.

The gunman who murdered at least 50 people in a Florida nightclub early Sunday morning was a follower of a controversial gang leader-turned-bank robber who was released from prison last year despite warnings from prosecutors that he would recruit people to carry out violent acts, sources told FoxNews.com.

That's right, we let gang leaders who like to rob banks out of prison even after they try to radicalize people into Islam while in jail!

Are you freaking kidding me?

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The Second Amendment Corner Liberty's Line in the Sand

2016



"Don't fire unless fired upon, but if they mean to have war let it begin here."

Captain John Parker, Lexington Green, April 19, 1775

The Long Game of Cultural Change and the Second Amendment

by David Risselada,
The Radical Conservative

The right to life and liberty, these are the hallmark traits that for over two hundred years defined America and her citizens. Wars were fought to establish these principles; that men were capable of living a life of self governance, and that the dignity of each individual was more important than that of the collective. Our founders recognized that individual human beings possessed great ability and if left to their own devices in an environment of freedom, they would most times, act with moral restraint, recognizing that freedom required personal responsibility. Times are changing and our country no longer represents

these principles.

Recently, the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that Second Amendment does not guarantee the right to carry a concealed weapon for self defense. This ruling not only violates the constitution, it goes against the very principles of life and liberty. It has long been assumed that personal protection was the responsibility of the individual, not the government. In fact, this has been the ruling in several Supreme Court cases. In *Warren vs. The District of Columbia*, for example, the Supreme Court ruled that a government is under no obligation to provide protective services to individual citizens. In *Lynch vs. N.C. Department of Justice* it was determined that police

are only obligated to arrest criminals, not prevent criminal acts against individuals. Finally, in *Castle Rock vs. Gonzales* it was found that an individual is not entitled to police protection

ship in particular, and that when these children grow up they will very likely accept a ruling like the one made by the 9th court. The left is playing a long game of cultural change where

have to be reauthorized. Another book suggests that people have the right to own guns provided they register them with the government, and yet another gives the student the opportunity to revise the Bill of Rights while suggesting they are outdated. This is how they slowly change the culture.

Another way our education system is indoctrinating our children is by punishing them for having anything to do with a firearm. For example, Josh Welch was suspended from school for biting a pop-tart into the shape of a gun. This is happening on a frequent basis across our country; kids are being suspended for wearing shirts portraying

result of this indoctrination could likely be a weakened population ready and willing to surrender their firearms because they have been taught to fear them.

The left has been chipping away at our culture for the past one hundred years. Little by little they have infiltrated our institutions and changed the very nature of what it means to be an American. When Barack Obama said we were five days away from fundamentally transforming America, he meant he was here to put the final touches on a process of social change that has turned America from a nation of rugged individualism to one where people beg the government to provide them safety. This is

"...high school text books are re-writing the Second Amendment, giving it an entire different meaning."

even under a restraining order. In other words, you are on your own when it comes to personal protection. This is why the Second Amendment is so important, the right to keep and bear arms strikes directly at the heart of protecting life. How can you have a right to life if the ability to defend it is being taken from you? You simply can't, once that right is gone you are no longer the master of your own destiny.

The Second Amendment is a right that must be fought for at all costs. Sadly, many people may not realize the many fronts our gun rights are being assaulted from. While people know the ruling by the 9th Circuit Court was wrong, they fail to see that the ruling is made to apply to future generations. The left is incredibly patient; they know that right now that ruling will have little sway over people, even the states it presides over, with a few exceptions. They also know however, what they are teaching your children about this country and gun owner-

our liberties are lost at such an incremental pace, generation to generation, that no one seems to notice.

The very definition of what it means to be an American, what the Constitution means, and what rights we have are all changing right before our very eyes through our education system. For example, high school text books are re-writing the Second Amendment, giving it an entire different meaning. "U.S. History: Preparing for the Advanced Placement Exam" defines the Second Amendment as something that only applies to state militias. The Amendment reads as follows in this textbook. "The people have the right to keep and bear arms in a state militia." The word "state", of course, implies an entity in control of the militia. This would equate to a standing army which was something the founders were adamantly opposed to. The Constitution, for example, only authorizes the funding of a standing army for two years. After that period funding would

"After a lifetime of anti-gun indoctrination, it is unlikely that their positions will change."

guns, bringing toy guns to school, drawing pictures of guns and even playing cowboys and Indians. Not only that, they are also inflicting fear and panic by conducting intruder on campus drills, or active-shooter drills where they are taught to run and hide. While it is one thing to conduct drills for preparedness, it is something else entirely to deliberately induce panic. (Author's note: As a substitute teacher I witnessed this very thing. I can say with great confidence that these drills are being conducted to teach kids to fear firearms.) The end

evident by observing what is taking places in our colleges and how Americans are now offended by everything. The kids now begging for safe spaces, are our future policy makers, politicians, police officers and soldiers. After a lifetime of anti-gun indoctrination it is unlikely that their positions will change. We can petition our government and stage protests all we want. As long as the left controls education we will lose the country.

Please see: <http://radical-conservativerisso.blogspot.com/2016/06/the-long->

Gunshot Lethality: Intention of the Shooter Makes the Largest Difference

by Bob Owens,
GunWatch.Blogspot.com

When attempting to determine the statistical lethality of gunshot wounds, an important variable is often overlooked. That is the intention of the shooter. It is not an easy variable to measure, but it is an overwhelming part of the dynamics of shooting situations.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has been collecting data on firearms injuries and fatalities since 2001. The individual year's data have warnings that the numbers may be too small to be reliable, but there are significant advantages to the data set when looking at the aggregate numbers for the fourteen year period. All

the data is collected under the same institutional framework, so we can hope for internal consistency. While the network of hospitals that report to the CDC only cover a part of the country, they generate significant numbers to work with.

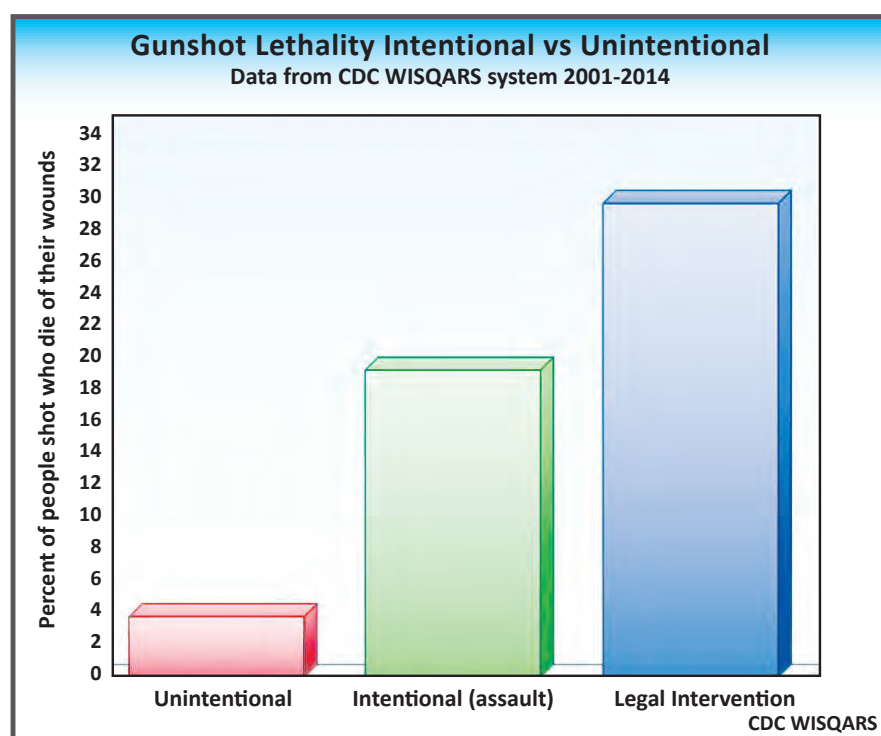
There are three categories in the CDC WISQARS data that can shed light on the importance of intention on the lethality of gunshot wounds. From cdc.gov:

Unintentional: This category refers to fatal and nonfatal injuries not deliberately inflicted, including any such injury described as an "accident," regardless of whether inflicted by oneself or by another person. Injuries resulting in hospitalization subsequent to

ED treatment or resulting in ED treatment only, and for which intent was not determined, are also included in this category as most such injuries were likely unintentional. (It should be noted that approximately 20% of non-fatal firearm-related injuries assigned to the "unintentional" category were cases with undetermined intent, based on a retrospective review of narratives describing the injury incidents. Cost estimates for nonfatal firearm-related injuries designated as "unintentional" should be interpreted with this in mind.)

Homicide/Assault: This category refers to fatal and

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Orlando Victims Died Because They Were Unarmed —Not Because They Were Gay

by Brandon Smith,
Alt-Market.com,
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Numerous liberty movement analysts and proponents, myself included, have been warning about 2016 and the heightened potential for multiple terrorist events. I have written extensively on the history of ISIS, its proven ties to western governments and the disturbing program to forcefully inject millions of Islamic refugees into western nations in the name of dubious “multiculturalism,” allowing thousands of potential terrorists into our borders without obstruction. The reality is that terrorist attacks of small and medium scale are likely to become a monthly or weekly occurrence in the U.S. and the EU as we close in on the end of the year. **Get used to the idea, because this problem is not going to go away while our own governments are aiding and even funding the very psychopaths that they are supposed to be protecting people from.**

The recent attack at gay club in Orlando by a self-proclaimed ISIS advocate, killing at least 49 people and wounding at least 53 more, was not at all a surprise. **The scale of the attack should have been**

expected. No one in the U.S. should have assumed anything less, given the number of dead during events in Europe.

What is frustrating, however, is that even though these attacks are highly predictable,

“...the government is not going to save you from terrorism...”

able, very few Americans seem to be preparing in any meaningful way to counter them. In fact, I happened across a clip of establishment mouthpiece Bill O’ Reilly the other day arguing that there “is nothing that we can do” to stop such “lone wolf attacks”.

“On the “progressive” side...their only solution is to promote more gun control.”

Ostensibly, this is an argument against the inevitable push for more gun control by Leftists in the wake of the Orlando massacre; but it also sets a dangerous and false precedent in the minds of the public. **The fact of the matter is, the American**

can people CAN stop the majority of terrorist attacks of this nature anytime they wish, without the aid of government or the implementation of unconstitutional gun control measures.

On the “progressive” side of the debate, of course, their only solution is to promote more gun control. They have a habit of exploiting every tragedy in order to defile the 2nd Amendment and dance in the blood of mass shooting victims while furthering their agendas. They could not care less about the people who died, they only care about the political capital their deaths can buy.

In the wacky social justice camp, a “feel good” approach is being pursued. The argument among the cultural Marxists is that we must “turn hate into love,” whatever that means. But the basic strategy seems to be to ignore the glaring problems with Islamic fundamentalism (whether supported by government or not) and blame straight white people for their supposed

posed “colonial privilege” instead.

All camps also seem to be overly focused on the sexual proclivities of the victims. The fact that a gay club was the target has LGBT organizations in a frenzied rush to capitalize on the hate crime train. Of course, the reality that the Left has consistently defended the integration of Islam and western culture is never brought up. I have not yet seen the social justice crowd explain how they can reconcile the jihadist contempt for homosexuals with their supposed concern for the safety of the gay community. I am certainly interested to watch the mental gymnastics in action, though.

Frankly, the sexual “identities” of those killed does not really matter much. Followers of ISIS have not necessarily shown any favoritism to any particular target group. They’ll kill just about anyone, including their own comrades in arms if there is something to be gained by it.

With all the sociopolitical blathering going on in the mainstream media, the core issue has been completely overlooked — **why did those people die?**

As stated in the title, **they did not die because they were gay.** ISIS agents kill all kinds of people under a spectrum of motives. They may or may not have been attacked because they were gay (according to former classmates and his ex-wife, Mateen may have even been gay himself), but they died for other reasons.

The victims also did not die because gun control measures are not in place; Omar Mateen passed background checks when purchasing his weapons. No amount of added measures would have flagged him because he had no criminal record to speak of. And, as the ISIS attacks in Paris proved, bad guys can get their hands on guns even in countries with the most stringent gun control laws.

Perhaps the federal government could have stopped Mateen; they had already been watching him for years. But, the feds either ignored the danger or were well aware of the danger and did nothing (this seems to be a constant trend in the history of terrorism in the U.S.). In either case, the government is not going to save you from terrorism, and if

your only hope is that you expect the authorities to keep you from harm, you are probably going to die.

Leftists want to direct public interest towards the gay issue. They want to make the Orlando attack a martyr’s cry for the LGBT community and social justice warriors. But the cold

“They could not care less about the people who died, they only care about the political capital their deaths can buy.”

truth is that most or all of the people killed in Orlando could have lived — if only they had a logical attitude of self defense.

I have enough tactical background to recognize a professional shooter. **Anyone who can walk into the sheer wall of human chaos that erupts in a crowded building during an active shooter scenario and still be able to achieve the fire discipline necessary to achieve kill shots on 50 people and wound 53 more is highly trained. A random spraying of bullets into a crowd is not going to produce such results.** This was the work

“...Followers of ISIS... kill just about anyone, including their own comrades...”

of a collected and skilled person, or, there were other shooters present that we are not yet aware of.

The ONLY remedy to remove a skilled active shooter (or even most unskilled active shooters) is another skilled shooter. That night in Orlando ended in a bloodbath because there were no skilled civilian shooters, gay or straight, present in the building when the attack occurred.

Now, given, if a terrorist is searching for a soft target, you can’t get much softer than a gay night club. The lack of self defense instinct and a penchant for anti-gun politics make the gay community easy pickings. However, the potential for self defense is present in almost every person as long as proper training is applied.

As I have pointed out in the past, even the FBI admits that the vast majority of active shooter

scenarios that are stopped are obstructed by civilians present at the event, NOT by law enforcement. The great lie being perpetuated in the mainstream is that you must have “government training” to handle an active shooter. In reality, civilians are the most common and effective stop measure. Many active

shooters will even commit suicide immediately after they meet any resistance from intended victims in order to avoid prolonged pain or capture. **You are the first and sometimes only responder when your own life is in danger.**

In the end, the danger represented by “lone wolf” terrorism or organized terrorism is **energized by the American public’s refusal (on both the Left and the Right) to accept that the only practical solution is an armed and trained citizenry.** We can argue for an eternity about “hate crime,” Islamic integration, government vigilance, etc. None of it will amount to jack. Nothing will ever be accomplished. The real debate, the debate that the establishment does not want the American public to entertain, is **the debate over our level of personal preparedness.**

The mainstream narrative demands that we argue over gun control, multiculturalism, more government and better vetting of potential terrorists. While all these issues are vital for various reasons, none of them confront the greater problem. If Americans are not interested in methods to protect themselves, then all else is futile. Each individual must decide his or her potential safety margin.

The bottom line? If you want better odds of survival, you will arm yourself, you will train regularly to handle active shooter scenarios and you will carry your weapon avidly. If you do not, then YOU are responsible for every consequence that you, and those you care for, suffer down the road.

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that now it is high time to awake out of sleep;
for now our salvation is nearer
than when we first believed.*

Romans 13:11 NKJV

Politics & The Bible

From Pastor Jim

Jim Modlish has been in the ministry 49 years, pastoring churches large and small from upstate New York to western Washington. He holds a doctorate in theology, but frequently states: "I have education, but I got over it."

Southern Colorado natives, Jim and his wife, Linda, were happy to return to their home state in 2006. They started the Huerfano Community Bible Church in Walsenburg seven years ago, and that work has experienced excellent growth

and the blessings of God. Pastor Modlish believes the Bible is the greatest political science textbook on earth, and that all current events should be examined under the searchlight of Scripture. All scripture taken from King James Version.



Jehudi Burned The Email

It should be obvious that my lack of an Ivy League education has rendered me incapable of connecting the dots of current events. My presumptive analysis of terrorism is ruled inadmissible in the court of liberal opinion. To even suggest that multiple massacres from 9/11 to Orlando had anything to do with a "religion of peace" is a fallacious position that deserves no credibility. It is purely coincidental that numerous killing sprees were committed by Muslims...after all, the Colorado theater killer was not an Islamist. If I had just attended Columbia, I would know that the exception always determines the rule.

Witnesses have indicated the Orlando assassin had appeared several times at the gay night club previous to the slaughter. It is rumored that he may have displayed his own homosexual tendencies, in which case, that put him in direct conflict with "official" doctrine of his religion. Not that facts matter, but all nations where homosexuality is punishable by death are Muslim. It's quite possible that this atrocity had nothing to do with Jihad but was rather a psychological response to a deep self-loathing stemming from a furious guilt complex. All that's necessary to verify that diagnosis is a Harvard professor to indicate its probability.

A graduate of a small Baptist college in Missouri is not expected to comprehend the complexities of terrorism. We backwoods types tend to generalize our worldview which is, of course, a symptom of the feeble mind. Some of us have actually taken the time to read the Koran because we supposed the soldiers of Islam are bound to be directed by a book they consider holy. We have assumed, perhaps wrongfully, that most Muslims believe their marching orders come from their sacred scriptures. With no attempt to lift any verse from context, a sampling of our reading revealed: the Muslims were made by God for the betterment of the human race; so they'll eventually rule over all mankind (Sura 6:74, footnote 789); the kingdom of Islam is to rule all of the nations on earth (Sura 24:55, footnote 1763); never overcome evil with good because it is not practical (Sura 23:96). These verses represent the large goals of Islam but within that framework are dozens of passages with instructions about dealing with the infidels—none of which lead to a positive conclusion...that is, if you are one of the hated heretics.

We political peasants find President Osama's anger mystifying. When he emerged from a meeting with the National Security council to discuss the Orlando massacre, he was more impassioned than we've ever witnessed. His indignation would certainly be justified in the

wake of the deadliest mass shooting in American history, but his wrath was not directed at the perpetrator or the motivating ideology, but rather Republicans and guns were the accused. For those of us who cling to our religion and guns and have never entertained the notion of killing anyone, we find this behavior very puzzling. I suppose it's only the northeast intellectuals who understand there is no advantage in putting the actual killers under the microscope of scrutiny—straight line thinking should be reserved for Duck Dynasty.

Suspicion is not a becoming virtue for Jethro and Bubba, but time alone on the trap line does allow the mind to wonder about unexplained deflections. It's hard to imagine, but are we observing a cover-up that would cause Watergate to be entertaining? Even Billy Bob has a casual awareness of chicanery at high levels...why, just last week he read of such an event in the Bible.

It seems that Jeremiah the prophet was given a message from the Lord with the instructions that the words were to be written in a book. (Jeremiah 36). The communicate was extremely negative in nature outlining a looming invasion of the Chaldeans who, ironically, were the ancient progenitors of the Muslims. Baruch the scribe copied the words as dictated by Jeremiah and then was directed to read the memo to the people in the Lord's house. The mission was accomplished with the hope that Israel would repent of their sins and stave off the pending prophesy. The message trickled upward and finally landed in the hands of Jehudi, the White House chief of staff, who read it to the king. "And it came to pass, that when Jehudi had read three or four leaves, he cut it with a penknife, and cast it into the fire that was on the hearth." Modern translation....four pages of emails were deleted!

The administration displayed only defiance: "Yet they were not afraid, nor rent their garments, neither the king, nor any of his servants that heard all the words." God's final assessment was: "Thus saith the Lord; Deceive not yourselves saying, the Chaldeans shall surely depart from us: for they shall not depart." (Jeremiah 37:9) Heeding God's Word would have not only required the administration to do a 180 degree turn around, but it may well have canceled some anticipated ill-gotten gain for a "charitable foundation." In the long run, things didn't work out well for Jehoiakim the king and rumor has it that Jehudi moved on to be the mayor of Chicago which was punishment in compound interest.

Occasionally, a non-beltway dullard has a Bugs Bunny epiphany which leads to.... "eh, what's up, Doc?"

A Sheepdog Barks!

I just spent a week in the Washington D.C. area. What a terrible place with far too many people. Notice I didn't say Americans. Just far too many people: who speak far too many languages. There are no assimilation efforts going on that are easily recognizable. I enjoyed seeing one of my grandpups graduate from high school but I didn't enjoy the travel days to and from. A curious development was going on in the airport. Everything was being converted to robotics. There were hundreds of I pads on which you order your food and drinks and then you take a ticket to a self-checkout and scan it in and put your credit card or cash in a robot machine and then you get your change or a receipt. Then you go back to where you ordered your food to pick it up. Lots of people confused about how to work the process, but it was working with the assistance of humans helping everyone out. The robotic age is upon us my friends and I would guess this will be the norm in three to five years. The old white and blue haired folks seemed especially confused. I know, I was one of them. I couldn't help but think that the human assistants were helping eliminate their own jobs. As we all "learn" to self-order and self-checkout more jobs will disappear. Unless the unions get busy right now. They have a major fight on their hands as automation and robots eliminate the need for humans to transact business. Oh well, I'm told it's progress and there is no stopping it. I think the folks demanding \$15 an hour minimum wage have caused the process to speed up. It's only a matter of time before McDonalds won't need anyone behind the counter. And who knows where this will go next. I worry about my grandpups and what kind of life they will live in America in 10 or 20 more years. Robots however may be the least of our worries. The LPSDs will see to that. WOOF!

I just watched two unbelievable things on TV. First was Obama explaining that the Orlando killings happened not because of Islamic teachings

and Jihad, but because of a lack of gun control! And good ole Joe Biden was standing right next to him and appeared to be a "live" bobble head doll. Joe is stupid and can be overlooked. Obama however, knows exactly what he is doing and Americans need to wake up and realize that. The LPSDs don't really give a diddly darn about LGBTQs. They only care about more liberal voters and staying in power. Clinton, Sanders or Biden will only be more of the same crap we have seen the last eight years. I hope you #NeverTrump citizens think about what the alternative is. I would vote for a pet rock over an LPSD. I would even vote for Romney again if it would keep HilLIARy out of the White House. WOOF!

After Obama gave his It-wasn't-Islam's-fault denial remarks he then sends out his political lap dog, Attorney General Loretta Lynch, to tell us that they will redact (that means they will take a big black magic marker and cross out the truth) any reference to Omar's allegiance to ISIS in his phone calls. Why you might ask? According to Loretta it is so the victims won't be "re-victimized" and Omar's "propaganda" won't be continued. Huh? What poppycock. I keep thinking the Obama administration can't get any worse but then they do. Over and over again. That kind of government censorship is what we used to ridicule the Soviet Union about. Government Censorship – brought to you by the LPSDs and their stupid beliefs. WOOF!

My fellow sheepdogs, Listen Up! I know I don't have to tell you this – the government cannot and will not protect us. America's Constitution and its liberties and freedoms will not allow the government to do what is really needed. America will not profile. America will not stop Illegal immigration. America will not spy on mosques. America will continue to "talk, talk, talk" about what needs to be done but it will not do any of it. The Republicans in our Congress are running away from these necessary actions and hiding



under their desks like small fearful kittens. They will not stand up to protect us. Our military has reached critically small levels and the Republicans have just watched. They "roar" a lot but it just amounts to "mewing." MEEEOOW! They scream "Obama is terrible" and then let him do whatever he wants. In fact they help him by approving his budgets. They are worthless. WOOF!

Americans, we must protect ourselves. You should not expect the government and the law enforcement agencies they control to provide what we need. The failure in America is manifested in gun free zones. Yes that's right. 49 LGBTQs are dead and 50 plus more wounded because not ONE of them was armed. A few armed citizens in that night club and things might have been much different. Gun Free zones are the problem; not the "assault style weapons of war" the LPSDs are worried about controlling or banning. When law abiding citizens can't own these kinds of firearms that can truly protect us and level the playing field we will be in real trouble. Because then, and only then, will the bad guys be in total control. Don't be stupid friends, ARM YOURSELF! The sheep in America need to get some fangs. Only then will the flock really be protected. There just aren't enough Sheepdogs! Arm Yourself! WOOF!

And just when you thought it might be safe to go back in the water, we hear that Hil LIARy might pick Elizabeth "Pocahontas" Warren as her VP. Can you even imagine that LPSD ticket – two lying women? Can it get any worse? WOOF!

May God Have Mercy On America! JMH



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Folks, there is only one answer to this sort of c**ap since the government won't stop it: **Everyone needs to start packing, all the time and everywhere and we must keep making noise on this point until the Second Amendment is respected nationally as written.**

It is clear that so-called "law enforcement", "prosecutors" and "judges" **will not** do their jobs. Nor will any other government agency **just as they didn't before 9/11 when the FBI and other agencies had plenty of warnings they ignored and even better, a large number of the hijackers had Florida Driver Licenses despite not**

being either citizens or permanent residents!

Oh by the way, that's the ID they used to get on the planes.

The entire reason the Second Amendment exists is so that in the gravest extreme, *no matter what sort of tyrant or jack**s is trying to kill you*, you can elect to have a fighting chance of living through the encounter. The only means or device that works for this purpose on a reliable basis irrespective of your age, sex or physical prowess is a gun.

It is specifically because your right to be alive is pre-political (that is, it exists prior to and independent of any political system) and the government not only might not be able

to but in this case through negligence, intentional misconduct or both has failed to take any sort of step to interdict known and emergent threats that the responsibility for same does **and must** fall first on you, individually.

Governor Scott, I call upon you, and the other governors of states that do not have "Constitutional Carry", to **call your legislators back into emergency session (if necessary) right darn now and demand that same be passed, and that all laws restricting where someone may carry openly or concealed be immediately repealed except where said government is willing to provide full-time armed security (e.g. in a courtroom.)**

Nothing else will do, and there is no compromise on this position.

You either can't or won't act even when you have foreknowledge as apparently was the case here and was the case on 9/11. That, in turn, means that we the people, who are the ones who get shot and blown up by planes used as bombs must have our right to attempt to not die respected all the time, everywhere, without exception.

Pass the law and repeal the garbage, or resign and get the h**l out of The People's House.

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fatal injuries due to acts of violence where physical force by one or more persons is used with the intent of causing harm, injury, or death to another person. Such injuries resulting in hospitalization subsequent to ED treatment or resulting in ED treatment only are reportable under the categories assault-other and assault-sexual, which include confirmed and suspected cases based on patient medical records.

Legal Intervention: This category refers to fatal and nonfatal injuries caused by police or other law enforcement agents in the course of official duties. For injury-related deaths this category includes state-sanctioned executions.

The least intentional category in the CDC database is labelled as "unintentional". In this category, the CDC notes that 20% of the incidents are

undetermined in terms of intent. This category had one fifth the percentage of fatalities of assault/homicide cases, and a little more than one eighth the percentage of fatalities of legal interventions.

Unintentional shootings reported by the CDC from 2001 to 2014, 231,350. Total fatalities were 8,969. Lethality was 3.73%

The assault category is the next most intentional group. The CDC does not differentiate between justifiable shootings and non-justifiable. It is unlikely that a person shoots at someone with no intention of hurting them; but some shootings are to warn, to scare off, to facilitate escape, to create/enforce territorial boundaries for street gangs, or intentional woundings.

Assault/Homicide shootings reported by the CDC from 2001 to 2014, 872,436. Total fatalities were 164,089. Lethality was 18.8%.

It is not hard to understand

the mechanism for increased lethality with increased intention to harm or kill. A shooter has many choices. If the intention is to intimidate or enforce territorial boundaries, distance and accuracy are not as important. If the intention is self defense, a person who is wounded and runs away or retreats serves as well as one who is killed. If the intention is to kill, then the choice may be to shoot more, to get closer, to deliver a coup de grace to a downed opponent or victim.

Only one person appears to have been legally executed by gunfire in the United States from 2001 to 2014. That was Ronnie Lee Gardner, in 2010. Legal executions are not statistically significant in shooting statistics.

In the legal intervention category, police are taught to aim for the center of mass in their training. They are taught not to shoot at people who are not a deadly threat, so a high level of intentionality can be assigned to their actions. They are taught not

to aim for extremities or to shoot to "disable". Center mass shots are more likely to be fatal than any other part of the body except for shots to the head. They are more likely to stop an attack than hits in the extremities. There is considerable speculation that a percentage of police shootings are "suicide by cop", where the person shot wants to die, and uses the police as a method of doing so.

People shot in legal intervention shootings reported by the CDC from 2001 to 2014, were 17,894. Total fatalities were 5,181. Lethality was 29.0%

It may seem obvious that the most important part of shooting dynamics is the intention of the shooter. These numbers from the CDC support that conclusion.

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